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U. S. Permit Now Required Before Starting New Building

FARM BUILDINGS APPROVED IF IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST—PROJECTS UNDER WAY CAN BE FINISHED—NO PERMITS NEEDED FOR REPAIRS OR ALTERATIONS

THE War Industries Board authorizes the following:

Because there seems to be doubt in the minds of builders and users of building materials as to the extent of restrictions to be thrown about non-war construction, under plans of the War Industries Board to conserve material, capital, and labor for war work, Bernard M. Baruch, chairman of the War Industries Board, authorizes publication of the full text of the Priorities Division circular, bearing on the subject, which will form the basis for detailed instructions to be sent to the State Councils of National Defense that are to assist the board in carrying out its plans.

Text of Circular

That all interested in the manufacture and sale of building materials as well as those interested in building projects of every character may have a clear definition of or a ready means of ascertaining the uses to which such materials may be put, and be advised of building projects which may be prosecuted during the war with the approval of the War Industries Board, this circular is issued.

Structures, roads, or other construction projects

falling within the following classifications are hereby approved, and no permits or licenses will be required therefor:

(1) After having first been cleared and approved by the War Industries Board those undertaken directly by or under contract with the War Department or the Navy Department of the United States or the United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleer Corporation, the Bureau of Industrial Housing and Transportation of the United States Department of Labor, or the United States Housing Corporation;

(2) Repairs of, or extensions to, existing buildings involving in the aggregate a cost not exceeding \$2,500;

(3) Roadways, buildings, and other structures undertaken by or under contract with the United States Railroad Administration or a railroad operated by such administration;

(4) Those directly connected with mines producing coal, metals, and ferro-alloy minerals; and

(5) Public highway improvements and street pavements when expressly approved in writing by the United States Highways Council.

No building project not falling within one of the

foregoing classes shall be undertaken without a permit in writing issued by or under the authority of the chief of the nonwar construction section of the Priorities Division of the War Industries Board.

Should one contemplating building conceive his proposed project to be in the public interest or of such essentiality that under existing conditions it should not be deferred, then he will make a full statement of the facts in writing, under oath, and present same to the local representative of the Council of National Defense, applying to such representative for his approval of the proposed construction. Should such local representative approve the construction project, he will promptly transmit the application, stating clearly and fully his reasons for approving same, to the chief of the nonwar construction section of the Priorities Division of the War Industries Board, Washington, D. C., for consideration, if need be further investigation and final decision. Should the application be finally approved by the Priorities Division, a construction permit will issue, which will constitute a warrant to manufacturers and dealers who have taken the pledges of co-operation to sell and deliver building materials required in the construction of the licensed building project.

Policy of the Government

While it is not the policy of the Government to interfere unnecessarily with any legitimate business, industry, or construction project, it must be borne in mind that there is an imperative and constantly increasing demand for labor, material, and capital for the production and distribution of direct and indirect war needs, to satisfy which much nonwar construction must be deferred. A full realization of this fact by all loyal and patriotic citizens, including State and municipal authorities, is all that is required to postpone such constructive activities as interfere with the war program. The State and local representatives of the Council of National Defense are with confidence depended upon to fully acquaint the whole people of these United States with the pressing need for the most rigid economy, measured not only in terms of dollars, but in terms of labor, materials, and transportation service. The construction projects which must be now deferred may be undertaken when we shall have won the war and will then furnish employment to the returning artisan now on the battle front, as well as those who will then be released by strictly war industries.

Yours, very truly,

EDWIN B. PARKER,

Priorities Commissioner.

Approved:

BERNARD M. BARUCH,

Chairman War Industries Board.

Only Projected Buildings Are Involved in Priority Ruling

Under a ruling made Sept. 12 by the War Industries Board, practically all buildings under way may be completed and dealers in building material may continue to supply needed material.

Regarding new building projects, representatives of the State councils are to investigate each of them and report on each operation separately, with recommen-

dations as to the essentiality considered in connection with war needs, to the nonwar construction section of the War Industries Board, of which D. R. McLennan is head. Until these reports have been received and considered, the Priorities

Division states it is not in a position to pass intelligently on various applications now made for priorities for building material.

Text of Statement

Judge E. B. Parker, Priorities Commissioner, authorized the following explanatory statement:

"Circular No. 21 (as quoted above) issued by the Priorities Division of the War Industries Board under date of Sept. 3, 1918, dealing with nonwar construction, applies only to projected buildings and not to those already begun. Where a substantial portion of a building has already been constructed, manufacturers and distributors of and dealers in building materials may continue to furnish such materials for the completion of such building, pending further action by the War Industries Board. The local representatives of the Council of National Defense are requested to make surveys of all building activities in their respective territories and report same as promptly as possible to their State chairmen, together with their recommendations concerning the necessity for the continuance of such construction or deferring same until after the war. The State chairman will in turn forward such reports, with their recommendations, to D. R. McLennan, chief of the nonwar construction section of the Priorities Division of the War Industries Board, Washington, D. C."



Farm Buildings in the Public Interest

THE AMERICAN BUILDER is firmly of the opinion that most farm building improvements will be promptly approved under the above regulations and the necessary permit will issue. The farmer is asked to keep his food producing factory running full time and at top efficiency; for "*Food will win the war.*" Certainly he will not be denied the new corn crib or granary he needs to keep out the rats and the mold, nor the hog house that would permit him to double

his pork production, nor the modern dairy barn that cuts in half the labor of caring for his milch cows.

The local representatives of the State Councils of Defense, with whom rests the responsibility of receiving all applications for building permits and passing first judgment on them, may be certain that no farmer will want to build, this year or any other year, unless he has a real compelling reason for building. He doesn't invest his money for the fun of it, but to produce more marketable surplus on his farm.

For this reason practically all proposed farm building improvements will be "in the public interest" as contemplated by the War Board in issuing these regulations.

Retail lumber dealers and the rural builders will patriotically co-operate in the program of regulation which the war has made necessary for the building industry. The less essential projects must wait so that all our efforts can be centered on the more essential. In all farming communities this means improved barns, granaries, implement sheds, silos and out buildings of every sort to house the crops and protect the livestock; also it means farmhouses and tenant houses.

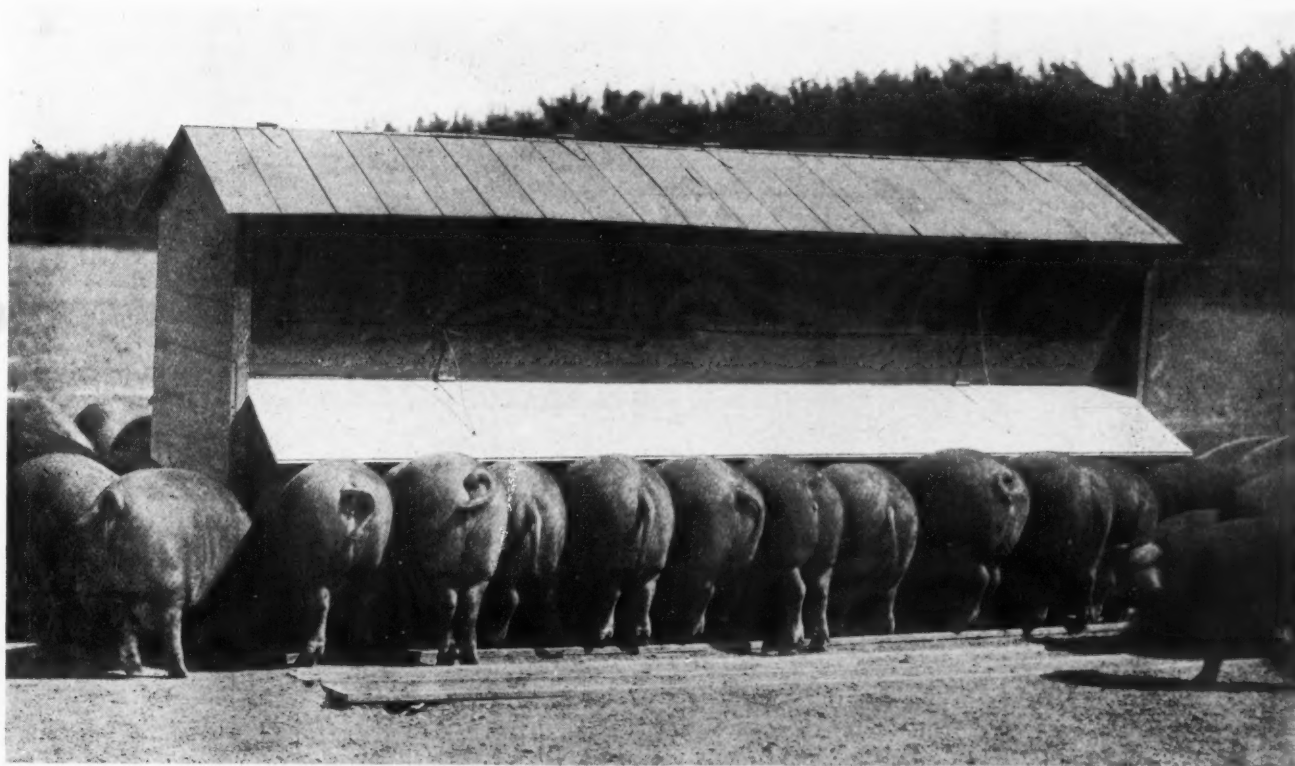


Because This Scene Is so Common on American Farms Makes It no Less a Crime. Millions of Dollars go to Ruin Every Year Just for the Want of Farm Implement Sheds. Lumber Dealers and Builders Are to Blame, for They Ought to Get Out and SELL These Buildings to Every Farmer. Now Is the Time to Put the Farm Machinery Away for the Winter. Start a Machinery Shed Campaign NOW.

Self-Feeder Saves Work and Makes Bacon

It is in line with war plans to build farm structures which will add both to production and conservation.

The self-feeder for hogs here shown should be built for every farmer. Mr. Pig knows what is good for him better than any other feeder. Pasture, however succulent, should be supplemented by mixed feeds, corn feeds, tankage and mineral feeds, and they should always be accessible and the hog will balance his own ration.



If Farm Help Is High Priced and Hard to Get, Make the Pigs do More of the Work Themselves. This Self-Feeder Is Easily Made of Short Stuff Around the Lumber Yard. It Brings Home the Bacon.

The Duty of the Employer in the Reconstruction of the Crippled Soldier

By Douglas C. McMurtie

Director Red Cross Institute for Crippled and Disabled Men, New York City

WE must count on the return from the front of thousands of crippled soldiers. We must plan to give them on their return the best possible chance for the future.

Dependence cannot be placed on momentary compensation in the form of a pension, for in the past the pension system has proved a distinct failure in so far as constructive ends are involved. The pension has never been enough to support in decency the average disabled soldier, but it has been just large enough to act as an incentive to idleness and semi-dependence on relatives or friends.

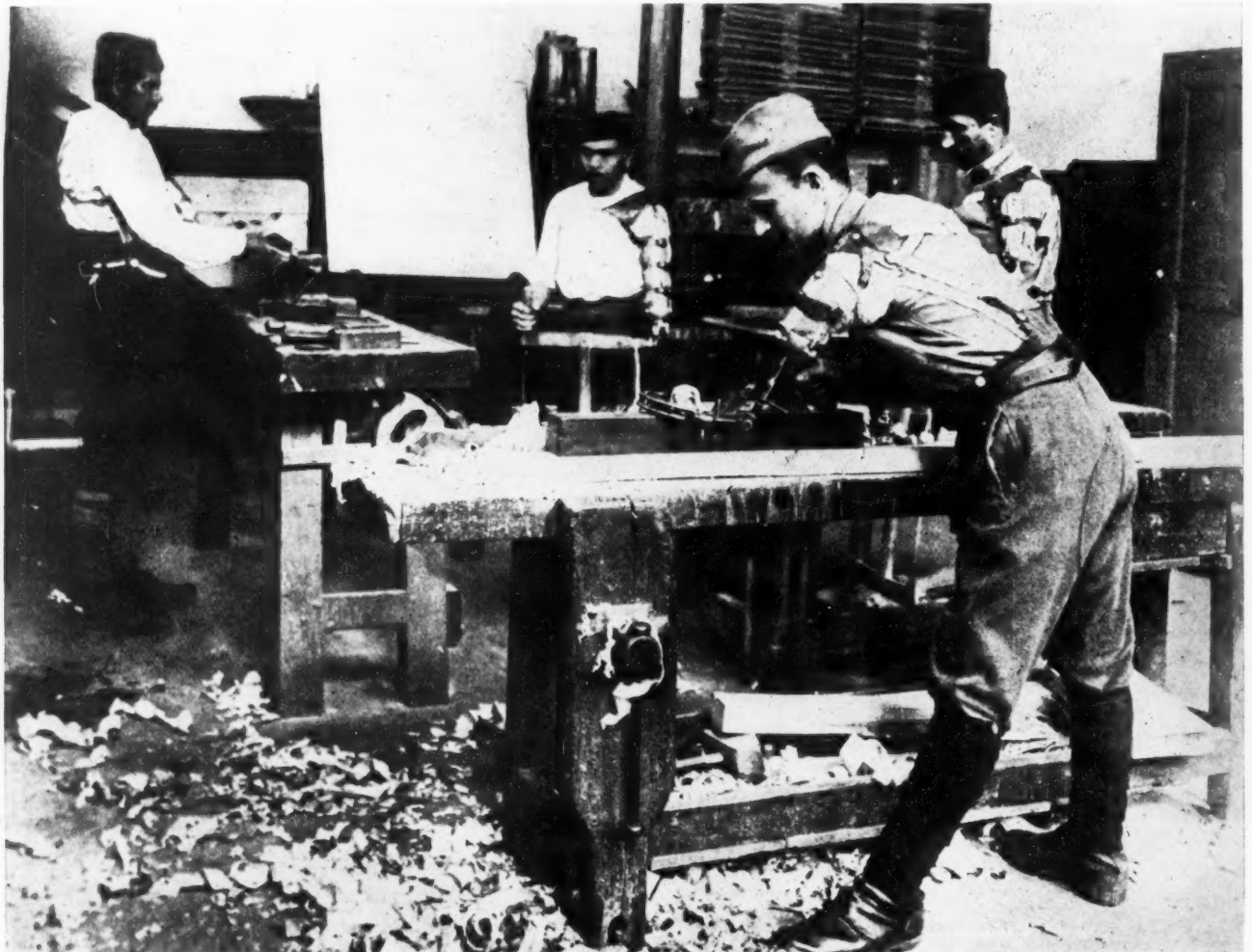
The only compensation of real value for physical disability is rehabilitation for self-support. Make a man again capable of earning his own living and the chief burden of his handicap drops away. Occupation is, further, the only means for making him happy and contented.

Soon after the outbreak of hostilities the European countries began the establishment of vocational training schools for the rehabilitation of disabled soldiers. They had both the humanitarian aim of restoring crippled men to the greatest possible degree and the economic aim of sparing the community the burden of unproductivity on the part of thousands of its best citizens. The movement had its inception with Mayor Edouard Herriot of the city of Lyons, France,

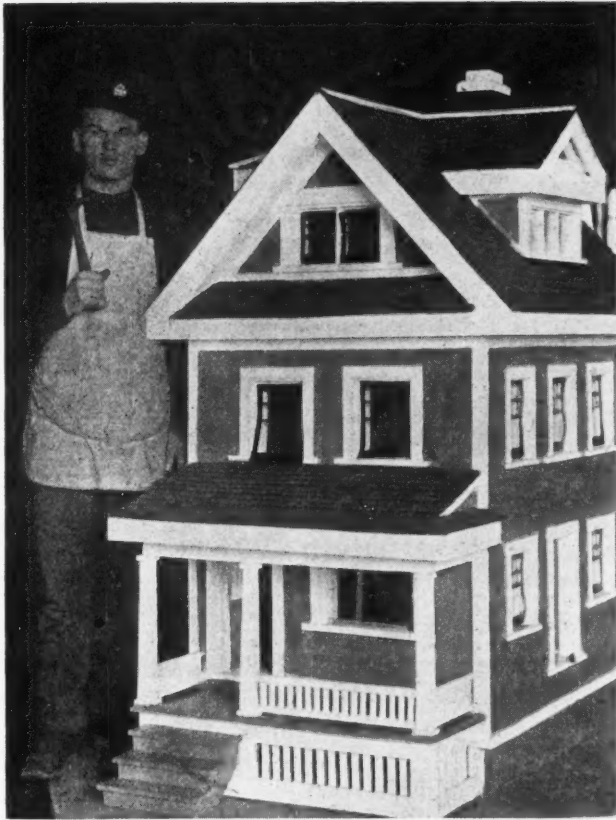
who found it difficult to reconcile the desperate need for labor in the factories and munition works while men who had lost an arm or a leg, but were otherwise strong and well, were idling their time in the public squares. He therefore induced the municipal council to open an industrial school for war cripples, which has proved the example and inspiration for hundreds of similar schools since founded throughout France, Italy, Germany, Great Britain, and Canada.

The disability of some crippled soldiers is no bar to returning to their former trade, but the injuries of many disqualify them from pursuing again their past occupation. The schools of training prepare these men for some work in which their physical handicap will not materially interfere with their production.

The education of the adult is made up largely of his working experience. The groundwork for training in his past occupation must under no circumstances be abandoned. The new trade must be related to the former one or be, perhaps, an extension or specialization of it. For example, a man who had done manual work in the building trades may by instruction in architectural drafting and the interpretation of plans be fitted for a foreman's job, in which the lack of an arm would not prove of serious handicap. A



Crippled Serbians Working in the Carpentry Shop, Hospital No. 4 of the Orthopaedic Center at Lyons, France.



THE HOUSE THAT IVAN BUILT.

This model more than 5 feet high was constructed by a Russian laborer who enlisted in the British Army and was disabled in battle. He made it during the first month of his re-education as a carpenter at Whitby, Canada. It is significant because other men like him, with no previous experience in woodwork, will for the first time in their lives become skilled artisans.

trainman who had lost a leg might wisely be prepared as a telegrapher, so that he could go back to railroad work, with the practice of which he is already familiar.

Whatever training is given must be thoro, for an adult cannot be sent out to employment on the same basis as a boy apprentice. He must be adequately prepared for the work he is to undertake.

The one-armed soldier is equipped with working appliances which have supplanted the old familiar artificial limb. The new appliances are designed with a practical aim only in view; they vary according to the trade in which the individual is to engage. For example, the appliance for a machinist would be quite different from that with which a wood turner would be provided. Some appliances have attached to the stump a chuck in which various tools or hooks can interchangeably be held. The wearer uses these devices only while at work; for evenings and holidays he is provided with a "dress arm," which is made in imitation of the lost natural member.

An important factor in the success of re-educational work is an early start, so that the disabled man shall have no chance to go out unemployed into the community. In even a short period of exposure to the sentimental sympathy of family and friends, his "will to work" is so broken down that it becomes difficult again to restore him to a stand of independence and ambition. For this reason, therefore, the plan for his future is made at as early a date as his physical condition admits, and training is actually under way before the patient is out of the hospital.

In the readjustment of the crippled soldier to civilian life, his placement in employment is a matter of the greatest moment. In this field the employer has a very definite responsibility.

But the employer's duty is not entirely obvious. It is, on the contrary, almost diametrically opposite to what one might superficially infer it to be. The duty is not to "take care of" from patriotic motives, a given number of disabled men, finding for them any odd jobs which are available, and putting the ex-soldiers in them without much regard to whether they can earn the wages paid or not.

Yet this method is all too common. A local committee of employers will deliberate about as follows: "Here are a dozen crippled soldiers for whom we must find jobs. Jones, you have a large factory; you should be able to take care of six of them. Brown, can you not find places for four of them in your warehouse? And Smith, you ought to place at least a couple in your store."

Such a procedure cannot have other than pernicious results. In the first years of war the spirit of patriotism runs high, but experience has shown that men placed on this basis alone find themselves out of a job after the war has been over several years, or, in fact, after it has been in progress for a considerable period of time.

A second weakness in this method is that a man who is patronized by giving him a charity job, comes to expect as a right such semi-gratuitous support. Such a situation breaks down rather than builds up character, and makes the man progressively a weaker rather than a stronger member of the community. We must not do our returned men such injury.

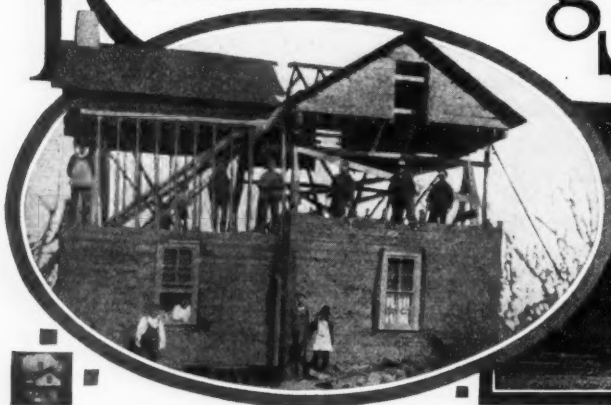
The third difficulty is that such a system does not take into account the man's future. Casual placement means employment either in a make-shift job as watchman or elevator operator such as we should certainly not offer our disabled men except as a last resort—or in a job beyond the man, one in which, on the cold-blooded considerations of product and wages, he cannot hold his own. Jobs of the first type have for the worker a future of monotony and discouragement. Jobs of the second type are frequently disastrous, for in them a man, instead of becoming steadily more competent and building up confidence in himself, stands still as regards improvement and loses confidence every day. When he is dropped or goes to some other employment, the

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This Crippled French Soldier Has Taken Up Cabinet Making and with help of Mechanical Arm Device Is Rapidly Becoming proficient.

Remodeling Suggestions



How to Build on Additions

PART III OF A VERY TIMELY SERIES

By Charles G. Peker, Architect

WHEN additional room is desired the extra room is usually had by building on an addition. Care should be taken to get this to harmonize with the rest of the house. As a usual thing, in order to get it good looking, the line of windows (especially the tops), belt courses, roof lines, etc., should be in line with those of the older part of the house.

It is very necessary that the same size and kind of material be employed as near as possible—it looks absurd to see a clapboard extension on a shingle or

U. S. Wants Buildings Kept in Repair No Permit Required for Repair or Remodeling Up to \$2,500.00

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brick house. Care should be taken to have no visible joints—join the new part to the old so it will look like one structure. It may cost a few dollars to do this, but it is worth it. If the house is clapboarded, take off the corner board and cut out pieces of the old clapboards so that the new will lap into the old and

there be no straight line joint. The same is true of shingles, brick or stone and stucco; get it all to match.

We give some illustrations of the right and wrong way of making an extension to an existing building that are self-explanatory.

One must not make the mistake of mixing the architecture; you must carry it out on the lines of the old building if you want to have it look right.

The hardest part sometimes is the roof; in some cases it takes quite a bit of figuring to get it to look well, as some parts may cut off awkwardly; our illustrations show some of these problems and how they have been met.

Of course when an extension is roofed it should be with the same material as the original roof.

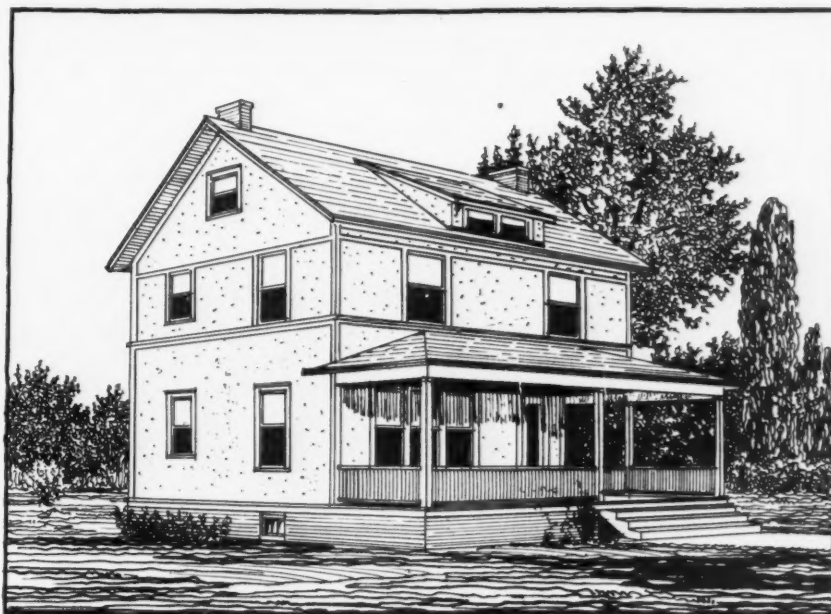
Sometimes a flat roof is used in connection with a pitched roof, and it can be made attractive at that by some simple means—a railing or balustrade joining the original roof often is the solution.



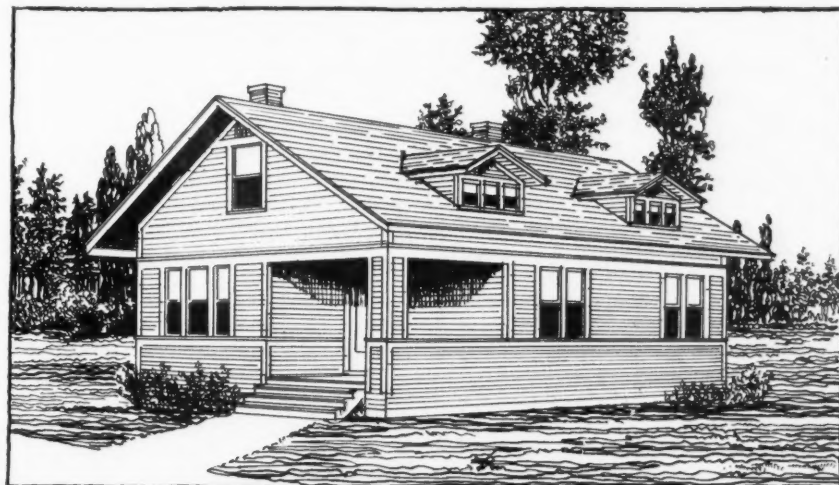
Flat Dormer on Gambrel Roof Continues Upper Roof Slope Without a Break.

To get light to an additional room placed in an attic a dormer is the solution; this should be so made that it will not spoil the appearance of the roof, or, in fact, the entire house design. In these different illustrations are shown various types of dormers that can be readily built on existing roofs; each dormer illustrated is well suited to the roof it is shown on.

As a general rule it is well to have a hipped dormer on a hipped roof and a gable dormer on a gable roof. A flat dormer can be either on a gable end roof or a hipped roof with ridge. There is no hard and fast rule to be followed; there are many good examples of a gable dormer on a hipped roof, etc. A very interesting case is where a good deal of room is required and it would cut up the interior too



Broad Flat Dormer on a Gable Roof.



Two Gable Dormers on a Gable Roof.

much to have separate dormers, and it would spoil the outside appearance to have one big dormer; the difficulty can be overcome by making a combination of a flat and gable dormer as shown. To form some break a slight recess or extension of a few inches is all that is necessary.

To get the necessary headroom in the attic, if nearly the whole floor space is to be taken up by rooms, it may be necessary to raise the roof; this is not such a hard thing to do.

The most frequent reason for adding an extension is to gain one or more bedrooms; quite often a bedroom is desired downstairs; mother is growing older and it will be easier for her to be "downstairs." So what is more

natural than to have that additional room downstairs, with a bathroom or even just room for a water closet and lavatory? At the same time an additional bedroom or so is perhaps added to the second floor.

One point to be looked out for is privacy; a house or extension should be so planned that it will not be necessary to go thru one bedroom to reach another. The bathroom should also be located so that one does not need to go thru a bedroom to reach it; just a little thought given to the planning will get it right.

To get the bathroom properly located there perhaps will be some



Hipped Dormers on Hipped Roof.



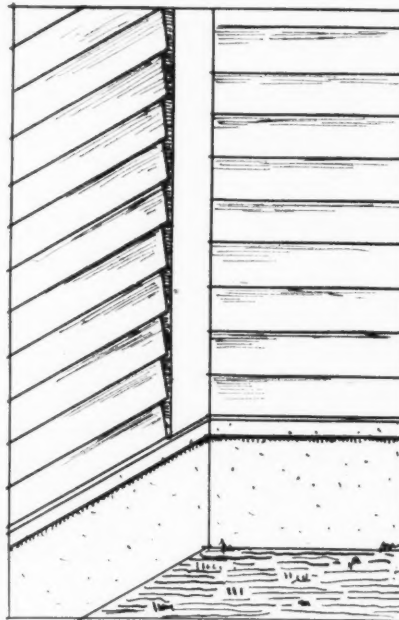
An Attractive Dormer Group That Gives a Large Amount of Room Space.

waste space, but that can always be used for another closet, since the house with too many closets has never yet been invented.

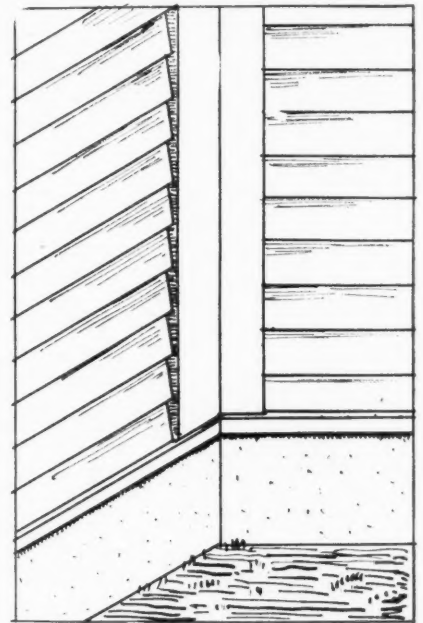
Of course one can add on for sun parlors and sleeping porches, and these will be described shortly, but here we are describing the bedrooms, kitchens, etc.

The old house may have simply a living room and kitchen and no separate dining-room. If one is desired it can be had by an addition and using that as the dining-room, or using the old kitchen or living room as the dining-room and using the new addition as the kitchen or living-room.

Care must be taken to get the floor level in the extension the same as that of the older part. A slight variation is apt to occur; but use a wide



Old Section. New Section.
Saving a Piece of Corner Board.



Old Section. New Section.
The Better Way—Using Another Corner Board.



Composite Double Dormer to Give Large Room Space.

threshold and have the one edge rabbeted so it will fit over the joint level on both sides and the difference will never be noticed.

In the illustrations given here a good many "before" and "after" floor layouts are given, so that one can obtain an idea of what may be done to improve an old house.

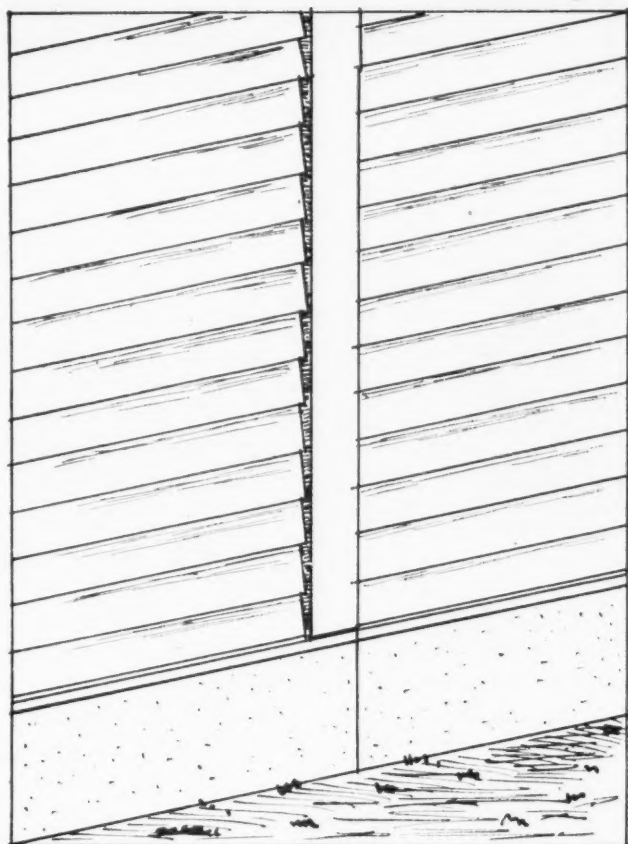
A few words can be said about the proper planning of a bedroom that will give one an idea of what to aim for, also what to avoid.

One of the most important accessories to a bedroom is closet space, but don't arrange the closets so that they spoil the appearance of an otherwise nicely laid-out bedroom.

One must take care when ordering where the windows and doors are to be so as to get enough blank wall space so that a bed can be conveniently placed; also room must be left for dresser, chiffonier or other large pieces of furniture that are likely to be used in the room.

It is a very nice thing to get an arrangement so that a bed can be placed in at least two positions in a room without interfering with anything else. This sounds simple (and is simple); nevertheless this is a small point that is often overlooked.

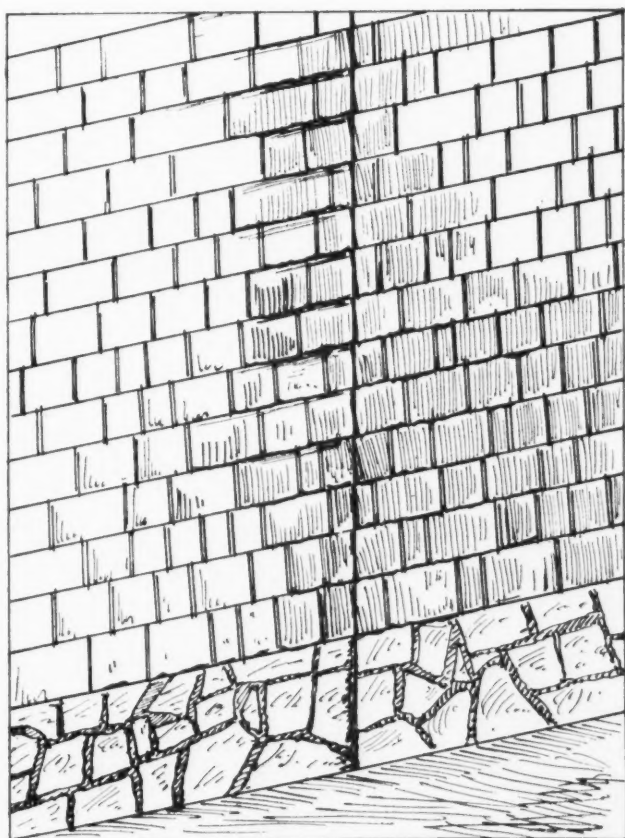
Another little point in room arrangement is to keep the bathroom and sleeping-rooms as widely separated



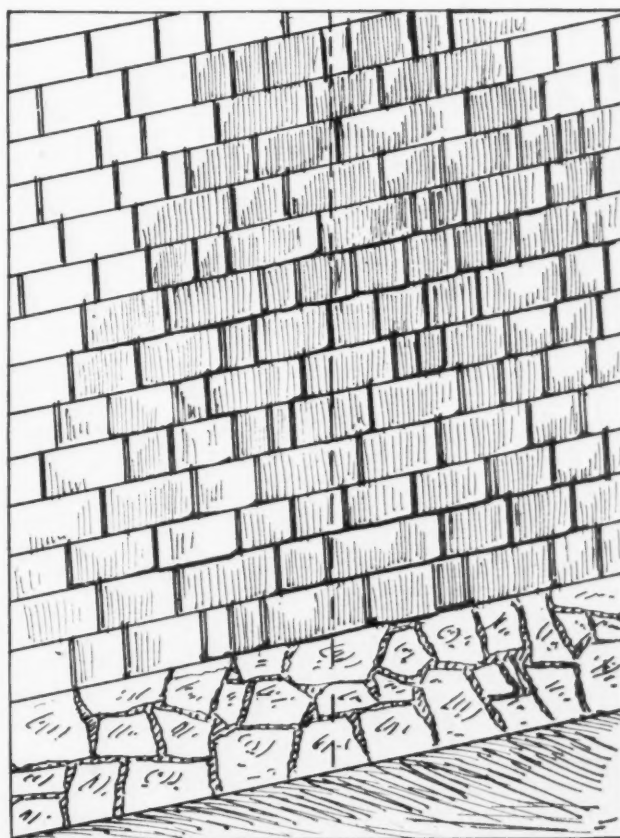
Old Section. New Section.
The Poor Way of Siding an Extension, Leaving the Old Corner Board in Place.



Old Section. New Section.
The Better Way, Removing the Corner Board and Cutting Away Pieces of the Siding.



Old Section. New Section.
The Poor Way of Shingling an Extension; the Joint of the Old and New Part Shows All the Way Down.



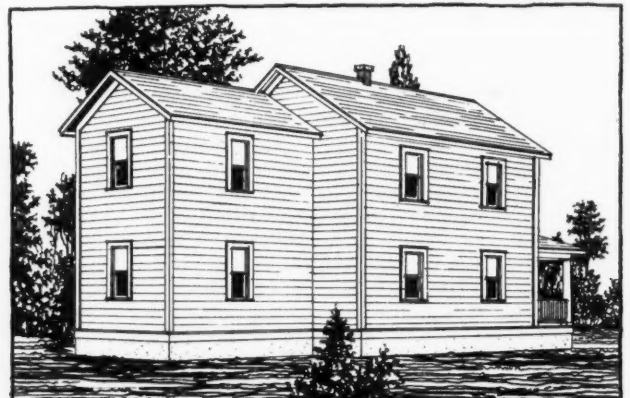
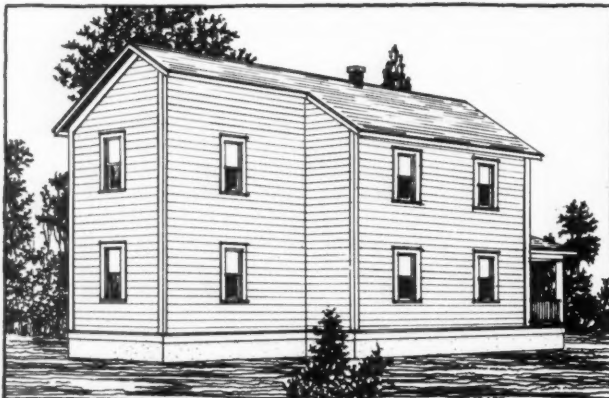
Old Section. New Section.
The Better Way, a Few Shingles Removed from Old Section and New Ones Woven In; Foundation Stones Intermingled in Like Manner.



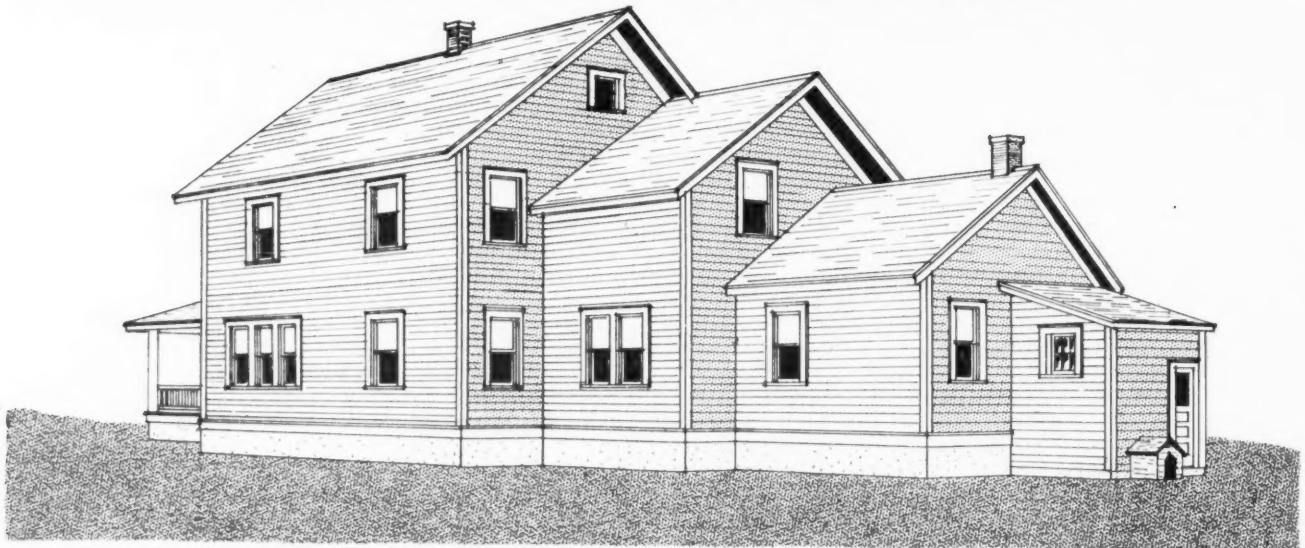
A Hipped Roof Can be Changed to a Gable-End Roof, Gaining Needed Light and Room.

from the living and cooking rooms as possible. This applies especially to bungalow and two-family or apartment construction and has been well taken care of in some cases by arranging the sleeping-rooms and bath on one side of a structure and the other rooms on the opposite side, with a connecting hall between. This avoids having the bathroom or bedrooms open direct from any of the living rooms, and places the bedrooms

in a much quieter location than otherwise. A frame house can very easily have an opening made in the walls, but care must be taken so that there is plenty of support for the joists of the upper story walls; usually a couple of joists or a light truss will give all the needed support. Where a part of a stone, brick or concrete wall is to be removed the upper wall can be safely carried on a steel beam, but it must have sufficient bearing on the wall on either side of the opening. Sometimes it is desirable to have a cellar under a house that has none; where the house is supported on posts it is not such a hard thing to do. Several long timbers are put under the house and securely supported by cribbing placed as far away from the house as possible, so that the pressure on the earth will not force it into the excavation. When the excavating is finished the foundation is built like a new building up to the sill in parts, when the long supporting timbers are removed and the balance of foundation wall filled in.



Wrong Method and a Better Way of Roofing an Extension Built Onto the Rear.



A Poor Looking Method of Adding on an Extension, But a Method That Is Very Popular in a Certain Large Eastern City.

Where instead of being built on posts the house was built on a foundation wall going three feet in the ground the method shown in the illustration is used to get the depth necessary for the cellar without using underpinning and outside excavation; of course, it does not give as large a cellar on the floor, but it saves a lot of expense.

Adding a Kitchen Extension

The group of plans on page 30 illustrate the "before and after" of a small house of four rooms which was enlarged into a very convenient modern home of five rooms by building onto the rear a ten-foot extension, which is used as a kitchen.

The old kitchen was remodeled into an attractive dining-room. The old



Hipped Roof Extension to a Hipped Roof House.



Extension Neatly Roofed with Flat Balcony with Rail.

rear door is now the entrance to the closet; the rear window was removed and the space used as a doorway to the kitchen; the old left-side window was also removed and replaced by a double mullion window. Both old windows were used again in the new kitchen addition. A new chimney was built to serve the kitchen, and this was run on the outside of the rear wall of the old building.

The partition between the hall and the parlor was removed, making a large living-room, and a neat brick fireplace was built. A cased opening was made between the living-room and dining-room in place of the old small doorway, the other door was

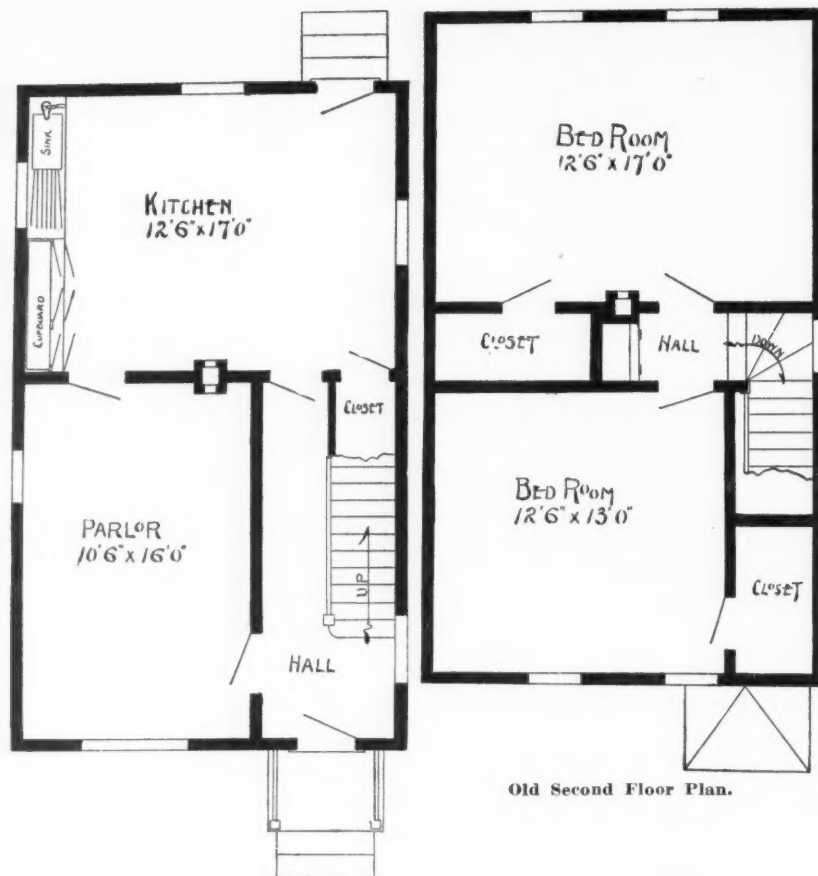
removed and the space walled up. The doors that were removed were used in the new part, so that nothing was wasted and but few new pieces of millwork had to be bought.

Both the dining-room and the living-room had all the old painted trim removed and new substituted, which was finished so that the grain of the wood came out prettily.

Upstairs the big rear bedroom was partitioned off, the studs from the torn-out downstairs partition being used for this purpose. In this way, securing a new bathroom required but little new material. The bathroom was a much desired improvement, and the rest of the space made a delightful little sewing-room.



An Improper Way to Roof an Extension to a Hipped Roof House.



Old First Floor Plan.

Old Second Floor Plan.

One improvement that was not made was the building of a new porch across the front; this the owner decided to leave for another time.

Adding a Bedroom and Bathroom Above a Kitchen Extension

Opposite is rather an interesting case of a remodeling job. Originally the house had but four rooms, and later the kitchen addition was built at the rear.

As the family grew larger an additional bedroom was required, and at the same time a bathroom was a convenience that was desired; and this was possible now since a pressure tank water system was to be installed in the cellar so that running water could be had.

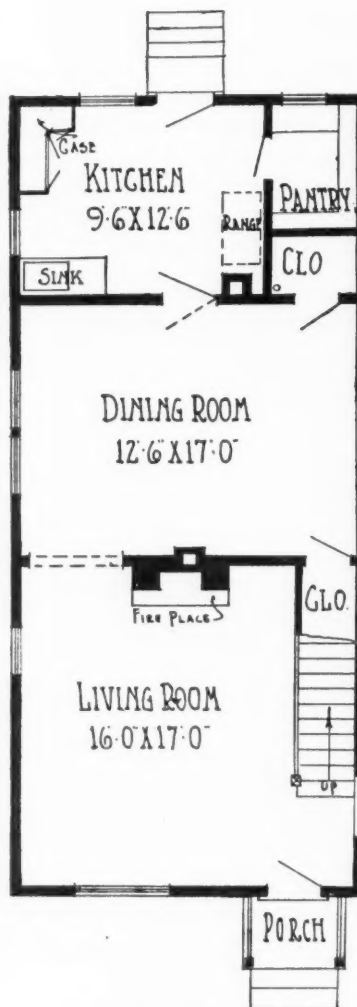
The space over the kitchen was utilized for this new improvement; just how it was arranged is shown on the new second floor plan. The bathroom was located directly over the space where the kitchen sink is placed, so that the piping could be installed in a straight line, this being the most economical way.

The first step in the remodeling

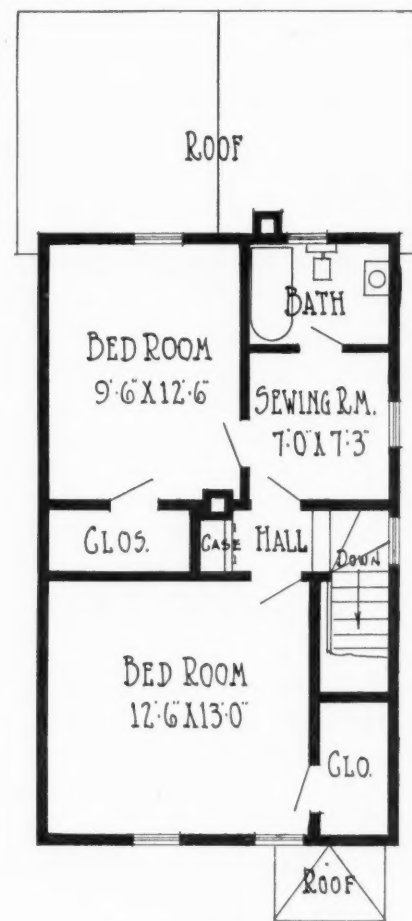
was the removal of the roof except the part that was over the porch; this was simply cut thru and the ends supported temporarily until the new side wall was in place.

The kitchen ceiling was supported by 2x4-inch joists or cellar beams that were supported directly on the wall plate. The ceiling joists were left as they were and new 2x8-inch floor joists set alongside of them to support the second floor. On the side studs the plates for the side walls were set.

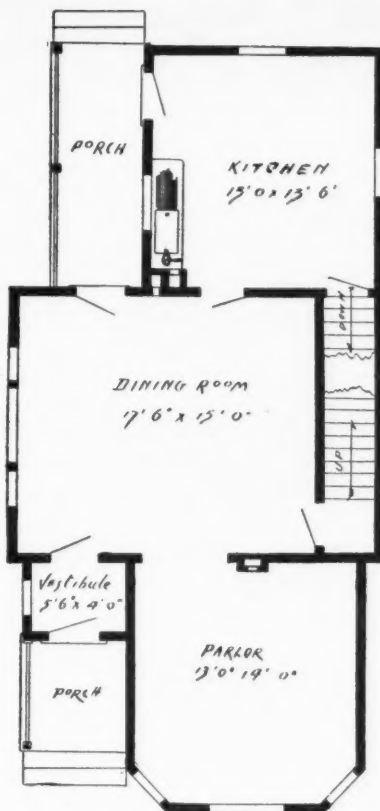
For the rear wall a very novel construction had to be used. The bedroom was wanted a certain size and there was not enough space left for it when the necessary space was taken out for the bathroom. The difficulty was easily overcome by having the rear of the bedroom extend out over the rear wall of the first floor. To prevent an awkward appearance, as if one block was put unevenly on top of another, brackets were placed at each end, and this gave them the appearance of supporting the overhanging portion and, instead of being an



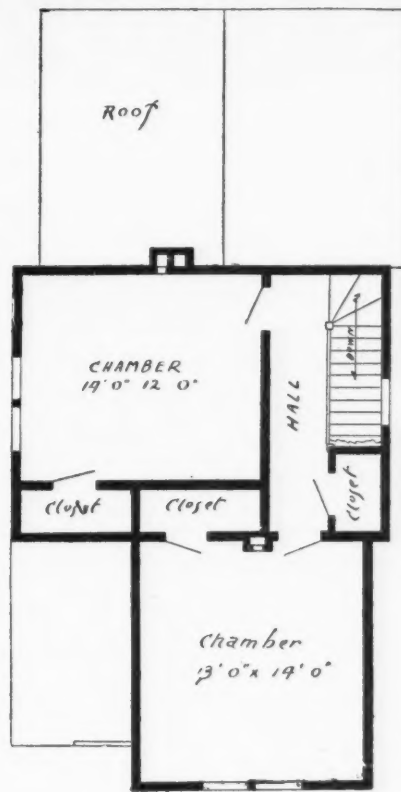
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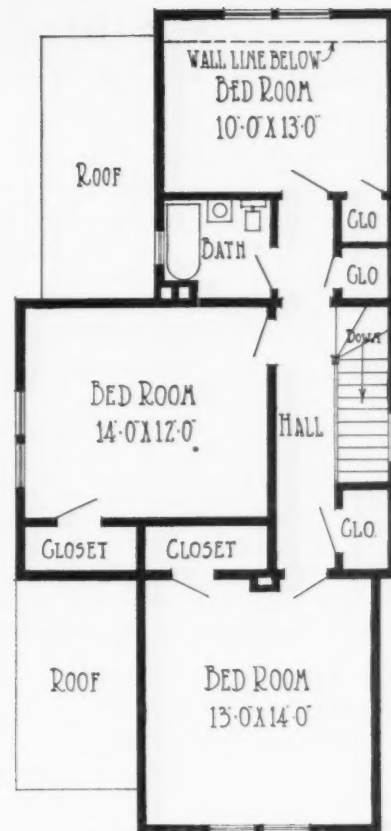
New Second Floor Plan.



First Floor Plan Not Changed.



Old Second Floor Plan.



New Second Floor Plan.

eyesore, it added to the appearance of the house.

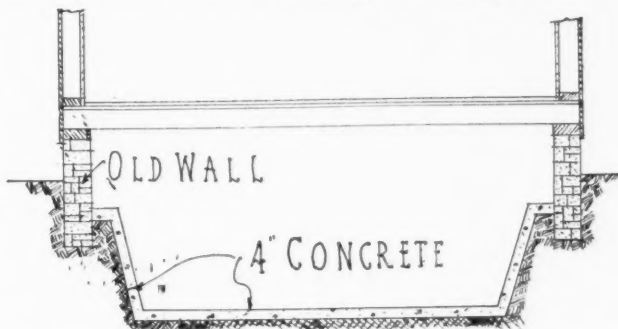
The construction was very simple—pieces of 4x4-inch were spiked to the place, and on this the 2x8-inch joists were placed, being notched down. The under part of the projecting portion was sheathed, then covered with tar paper and beaded ceiling put on as a finish. The space between the joists of this overhang were filled with shavings so as to insulate it against the cold.



Repairing Farm Buildings

By John Upton

WITH the present prices of lumber there will be many farm buildings to repair, and as this class of work is new to some of us, a few hints may be of help. Some of these old buildings are right down on the ground, and the first step is to get them up and put new sills under them, and perhaps a wall. To raise the building you will want one or more jack screws, unless it is small enough so that you can use



Method of Making a Cellar Without Disturbing Foundation Wall.

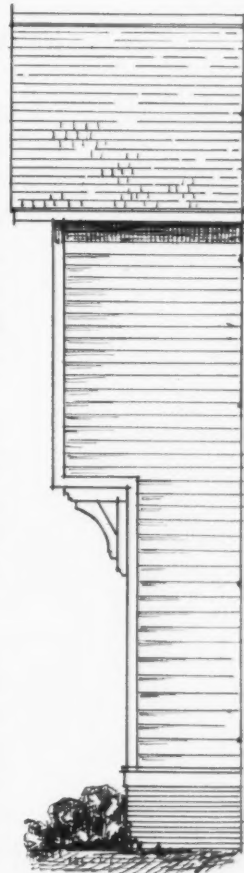
pries. Good long pries weighted down with stones will help a lot in lifting a building even tho you have jacks.

In some cases you will want to get the building blocked up and put the wall and concrete floor in before you put the sills in, or you may build a cement wall and floor just at one side or one end of the building, and when this has set move the building onto it.

The sills can be made of plank, doubled if needed. It is not difficult to move a small building a short distance, if one has a few round sticks for rollers and some plank for them to roll on.

To cover the sides it may be best to use the old boards put on horizontally and then shingle over them, putting the shingles six inches to the weather. By putting on sheathing paper this makes a good tight wall, and the shingles can be painted so as to give a good-looking building at

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How a Part of Upper Floor May Extend so as to Provide Needed Room.

Cashing in on the "For Sale" Sign

A NEW WAY TO LOCATE AND LAND REMODELING JOBS

By J. S. Older

THIS is a time when there is perhaps less building improvement going on than ever before during the experience of the present generation.

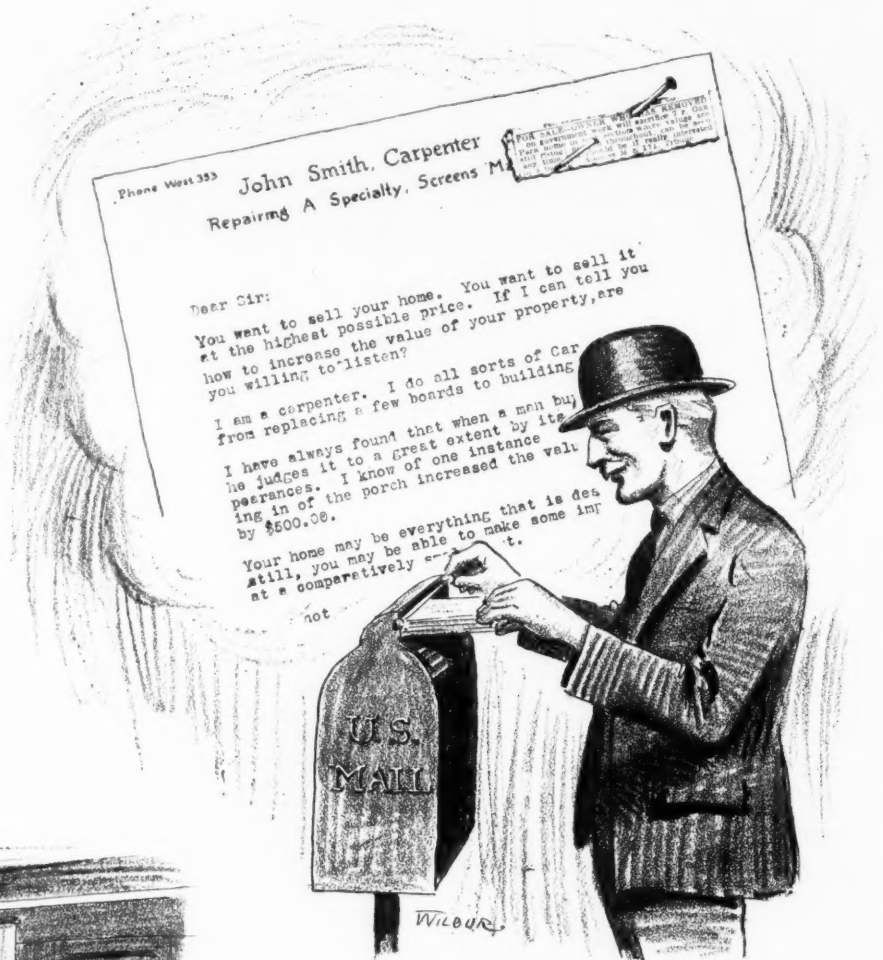
As a result many carpenters and builders are more eager to take small jobs than ever before. Perhaps the last place where the average carpenter would look for work is at the home of a man who has a large "For Sale" sign in a prominent place at the front of his house.

A Grand Rapids carpenter was called to a residence to replace a few of the broken steps leading up to the porch. While doing this work, the property owner volunteered the information that he was trying to sell his home and that a prospective buyer had objected to the broken boards in the front steps, judging the entire house to a certain extent by a few broken and worn out boards.

In normal times the carpenter would not have thought much of a remark of this kind. But he was getting too old to leave the city to take up government work. His business had been slow for

several months—while rent and household expenses had to be paid promptly.

After repairing the porch steps, he suggested that so far as appearances were concerned, a few ornamental corner pieces on the porch, a flower trellis and a



Got up a Business Letter and Sent It to All Advertising Houses for Sale.



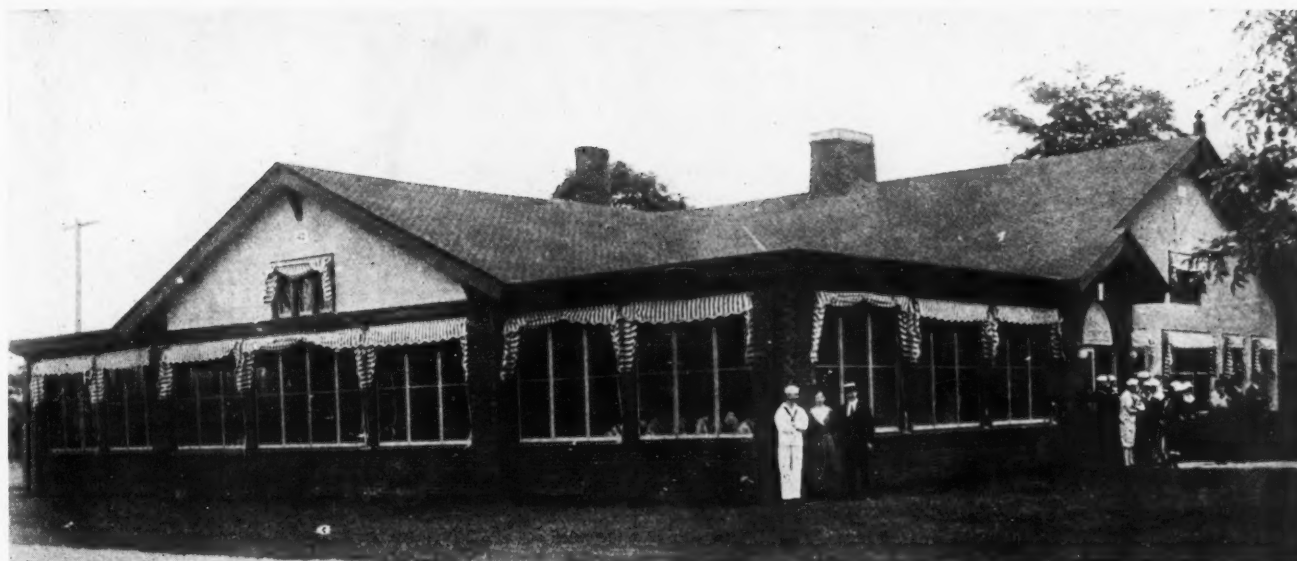
The Carpenter Explained How Remodeling to Cost \$200 Would Add at Least \$500 to the Sales Value.

screened-in porch would greatly add to the appearance of the building, as well as add to its salability and sales price. The entire additional work, including the extra painting, amounted to a little over \$200. But the result was that the property owner was able to sell this house at \$500 more than he had expected to get. In this instance the improvements were a good investment.

Using the results of these improvements as a sales argument, the carpenter visited various other homes that were offered for sale. In almost every instance he was able to get enough work to make the effort worth while.

In one instance, when the carpenter called at a home where the "For Sale" sign was displayed, he met one

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Hostess House at Great Lakes Naval Training Station

Important Buildings at the Camps

The Hostess Houses! What a wealth of joy and comfort they have brought to countless army and navy men and to their families. Simple of architecture, furnished with a quiet elegance, possessing all of the comforts of one's own home, they fill in splendid fashion a crying need in the camps thruout the continent. To the Young Women's Christian Association belongs the credit for these hostess houses—forty-six of them being open now and twenty-four more building, in army camps, aviation fields, naval stations and marine barracks. Included in this group are nine for the colored troops, these under the supervision of colored women. The houses were designed and built for the comfort and convenience of mothers, wives and sweethearts, to say nothing of other relatives of our boys in service. Aside from the cheeriest

of living-rooms with its broad fireplaces, there is a cafeteria and nursery in connection with each. This splendid work of the Young Women's Christian Association has full Government sanction and no hostess house is built in any camp except at the direct request of the commandant.

MILDRED JOHNSON.

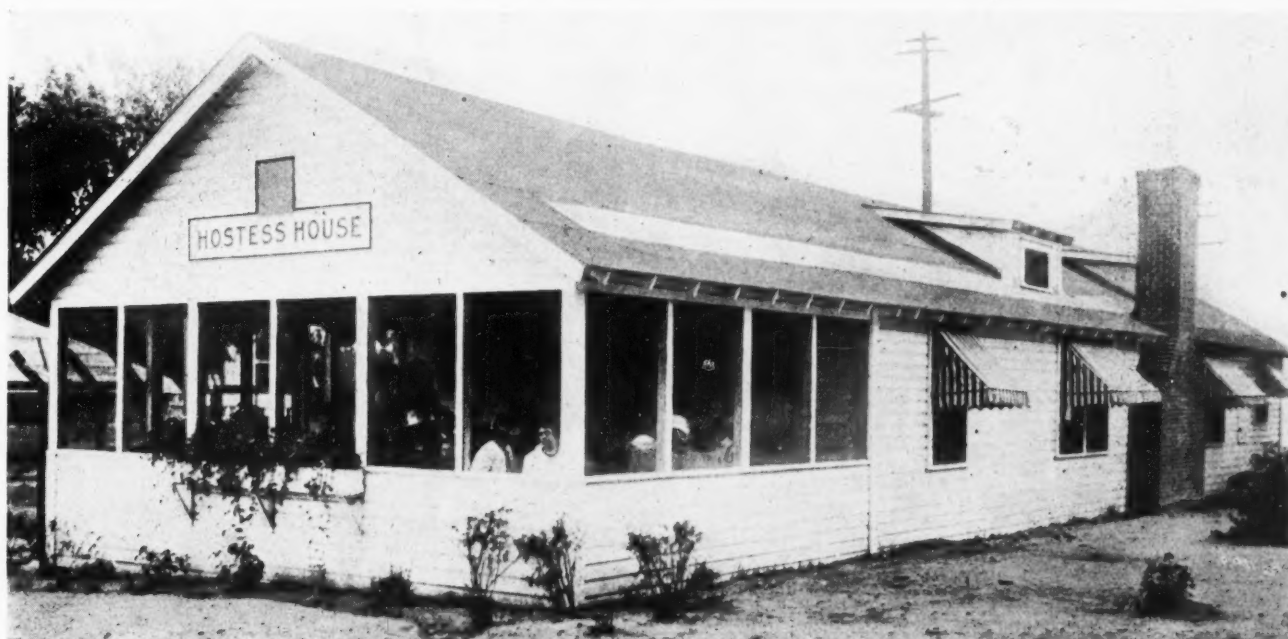


FOR artillery, automatic rifles, and small arms, and for ammunition for them, we have spent over \$3,700,000,000.

Every Liberty Loan subscriber helps to arm our soldiers.

We have spent over \$120,000,000 just for staple supplies for our army, such as flour, bacon, rice, etc.

Every subscriber to the Liberty Loan helps feed our soldiers.



Hostess House at the Aviation School, St. Paul, Minn.

AMERICAN BUILDER BUILDING PLANS



Blue Prints of Dutch Colonial Home

FOUR FULL PAGE PLATES GIVE WORKING DRAWINGS TO SCALE OF THE WELL DESIGNED, MODEST SIZE, DUTCH COLONIAL DWELLING ILLUSTRATED BELOW

IN the simple Dutch Colonial home good looks are had at no extra cost. It is impossible to plan more economically than the rectangular layout devoid of projections or angles and all covered by one straight roof.

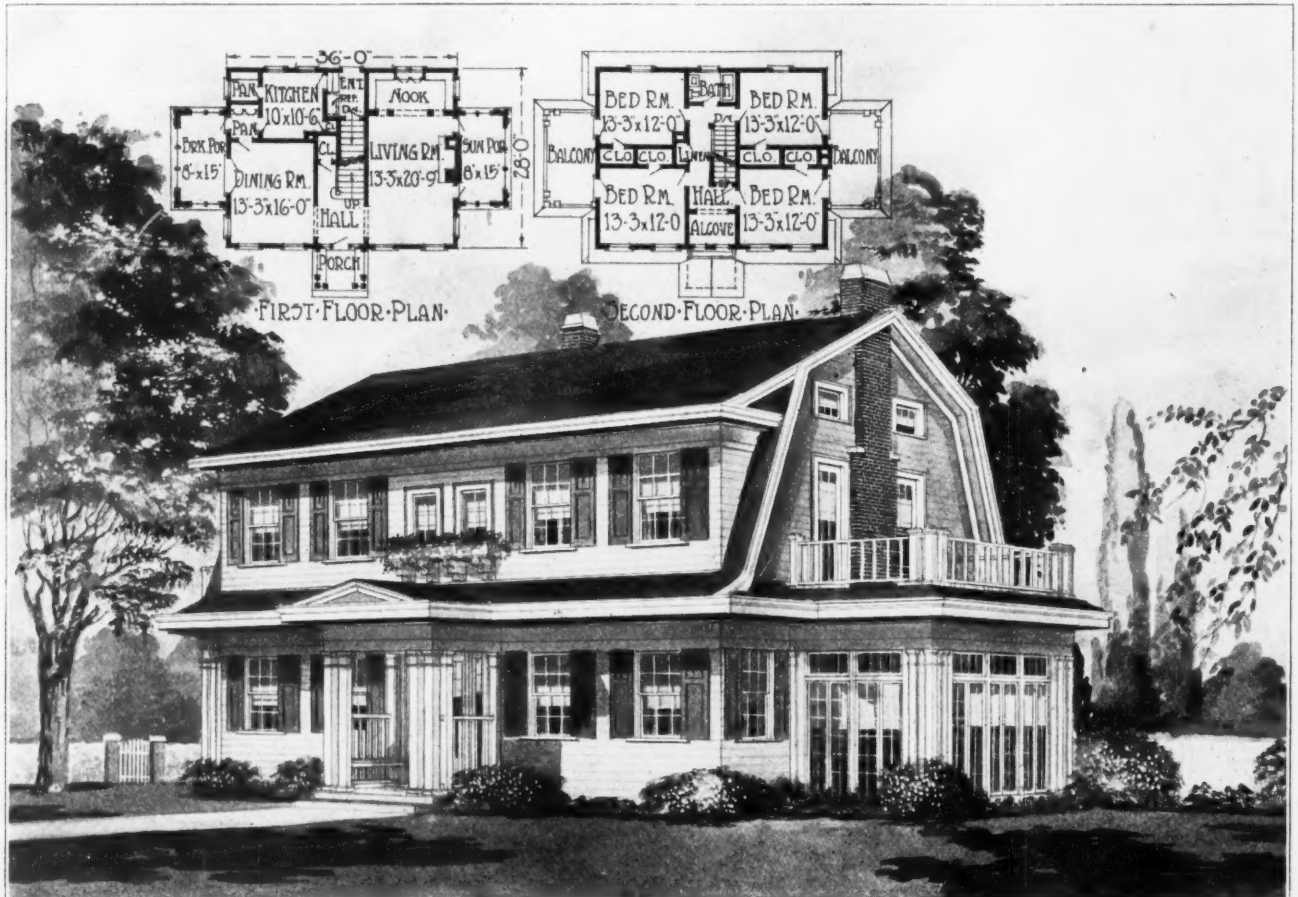
Ignoring for the moment the two glassed-in porches, this Dutch Colonial design is entirely contained within the four walls of a 28 by 36-foot box. The second story is practically the same size, but the gambrel roof with multiple dormer on each side cuts down the height so that there is quite a saving in expense, without loss of space.

The secret of the architectural success of this is, of course, its symmetry. Draw a center line cutting the front door, and you will find that every architectural element, every window, shutter, flower box, and

porch detail, is exactly balanced by a similar element on the other side. This well-balanced arrangement is naturally pleasing and restful.

The interior carries out also this balanced arrangement; with the stair hall thru the middle, big living room on one side, and the dining room, pantry, kitchen group on the other. One porch is designated sun parlor; the other a breakfast room or outdoor dining room. On the second floor are four bedrooms and bath. The stairway goes up to the third floor, which is just high enough to work in a maid's room comfortably.

The four blueprint sheets following give all the information needed to build this house. We are pleased to offer these plans to our readers, feeling confident that they will be able to build direct from them.



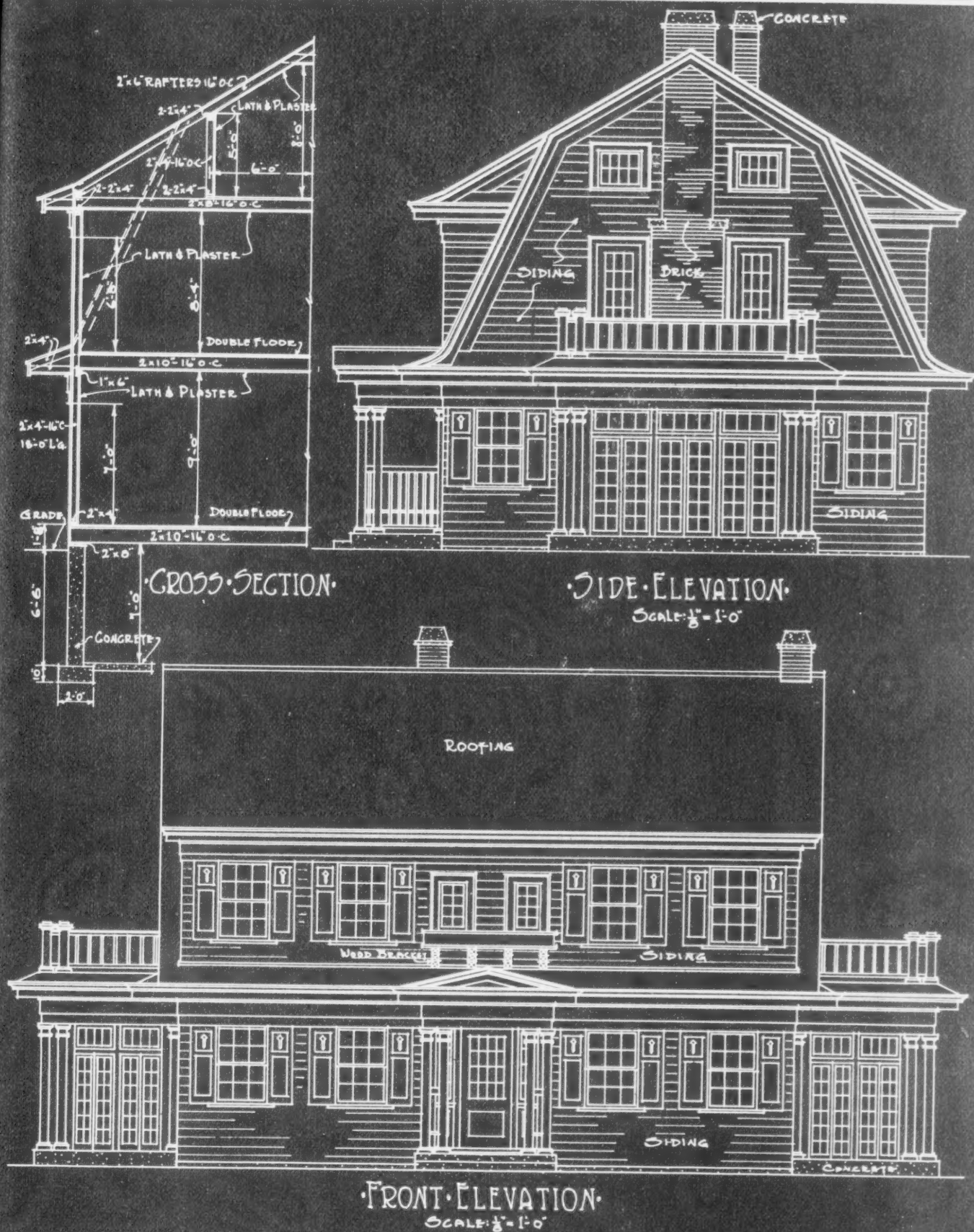
Architect's Perspective Showing How the Dutch Colonial Home Will Look When Built. Working Drawings For This Dwelling Are Presented in the Blueprint Supplement Immediately Following.

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AMERICAN BUILDER BUILDING PLANS



SEVEN ROOM COLONIAL RESIDENCE SHEET No 1

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REINFORCED CONCRETE

CONCRETE

JOIST

1'-0"

BASEMENT DETAILS.

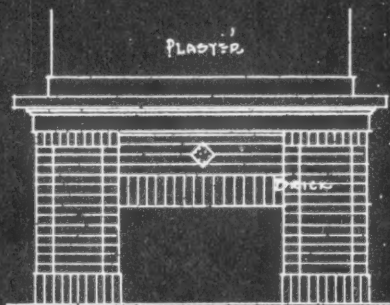
A hand-drawn architectural floor plan of a building. The plan shows several rooms and structural elements:

- Rooms and Areas:**
 - UNEXCAVATED:** Two large rectangular areas, one on the left (15'-0" x 6'-0") and one at the bottom center (8'-0" x 6'-0").
 - LAUNDRY:** Located at the top left, with a window labeled "SL-10x14".
 - FUEL ROOM:** Located on the right side, with a window labeled "SL-10x14".
 - HEATER:** A rectangular unit located between the laundry and fuel room.
 - CLEARMOOT:** A rectangular unit located below the heater.
 - AREA:** Two small rectangular areas, one at the top right and one at the bottom right.
- Structural Details:**
 - 20'x20'x10" CONC. FOOTING:** A central structural element.
 - DOUBLE JOIST:** Located above the central footing.
 - 4" x 4" POST:** A central vertical post.
 - 6" x 8" GIRDER:** A horizontal structural member.
 - 24" x 24" x 10" CONC. FOOTING:** A central structural element.
 - 24" x 6" x 6" POST:** A central vertical post.
 - 1" x 12" FLOOR:** A rectangular area on the left side.
 - CONCRETE FLOOR:** A label pointing to the central area.
 - UP:** An arrow indicating an upward direction.
 - COAL CHUTE:** A vertical line on the right side.
- Dimensions:**
 - Horizontal:** 8'-0" (top left), 36'-0" (top center), 8'-0" (top right), 14'-0" (bottom left), 8'-0" (bottom center), 14'-0" (bottom right).
 - Vertical:** 6'-0" (left side), 15'-0" (left side), 6'-0" (bottom left), 8'-0" (bottom center), 28'-0" (right side).
- Other Labels:**
 - SL-10x14:** Window labels.
 - AREA:** Labels for the small rectangular areas.
 - UNEXCAVATED:** Labels for the large rectangular areas.

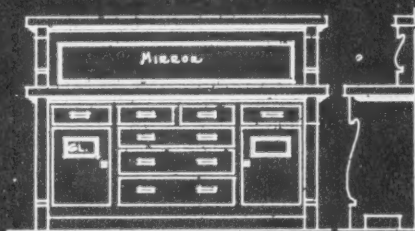
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SEVEN ROOM COLONIAL RESIDENCE SHEET No 2

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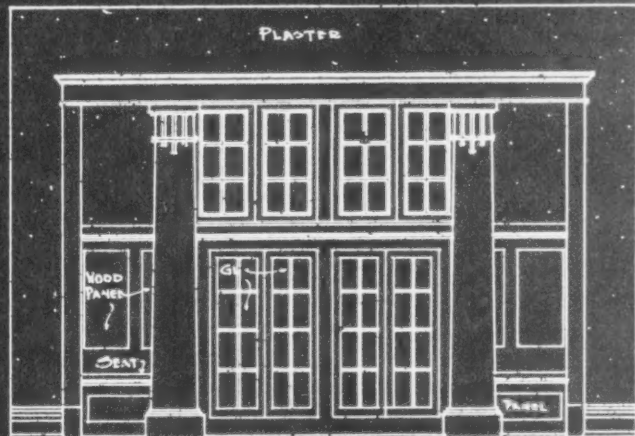


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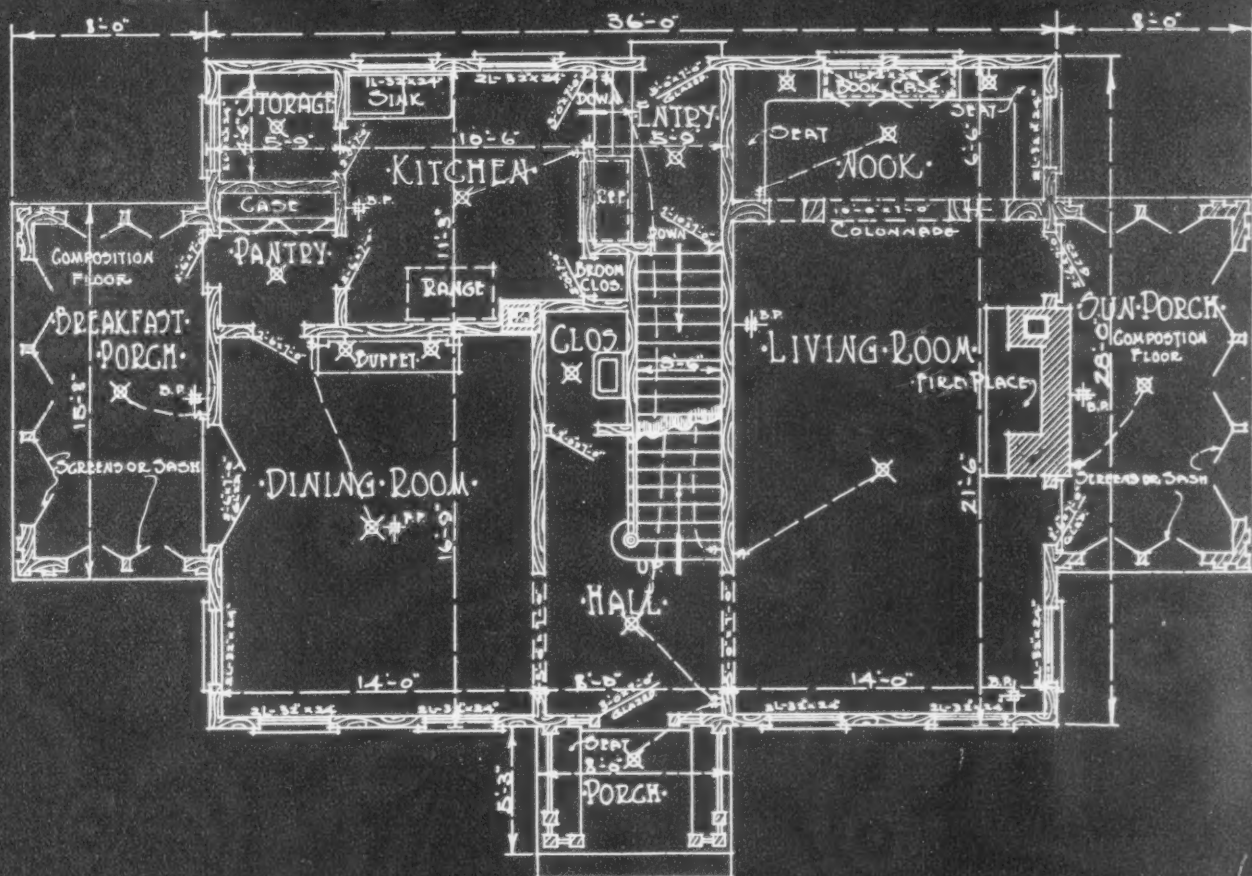
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VIEW OF NOOK FROM LIVING ROOM

INTERIOR DETAILS

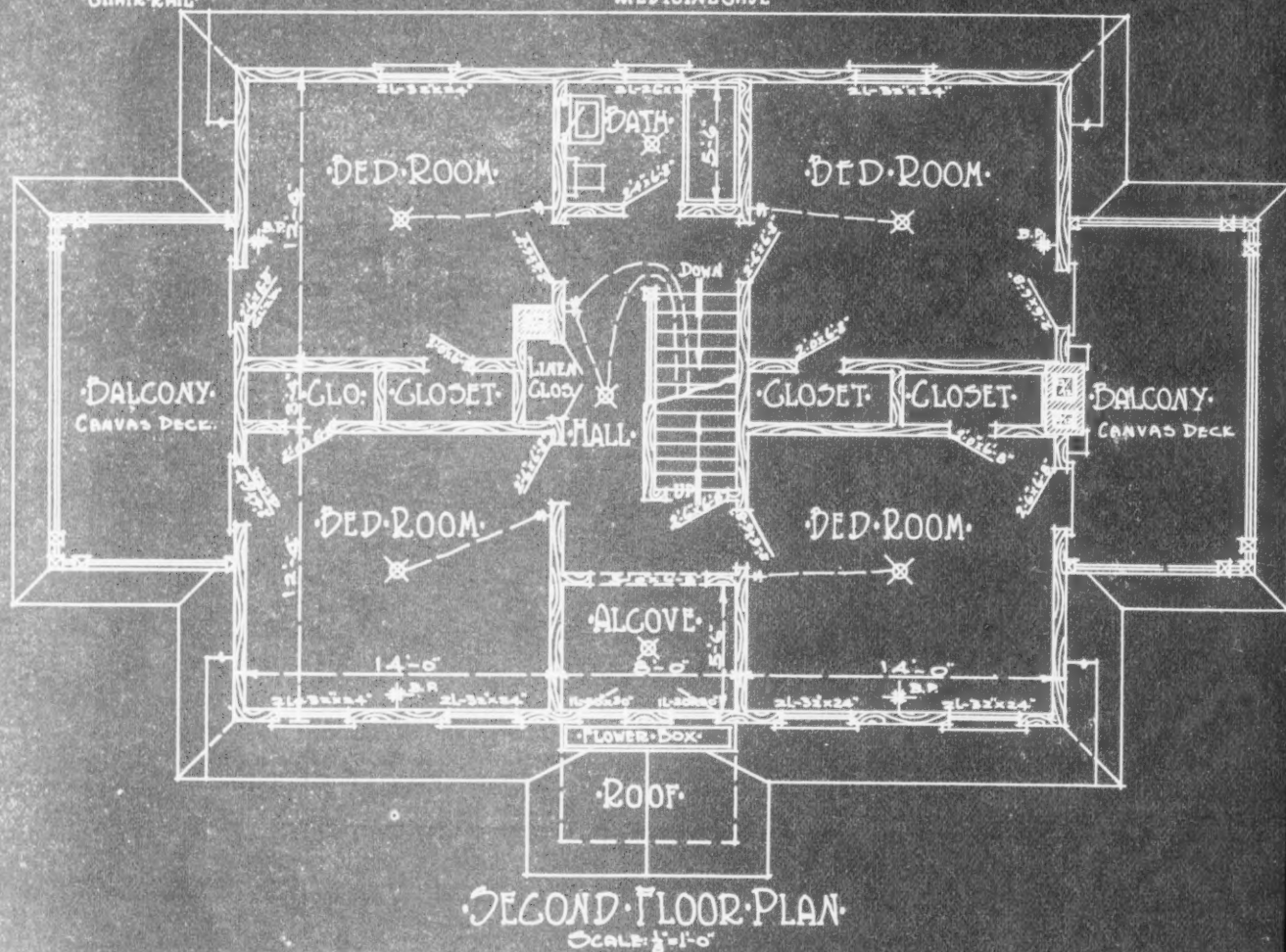
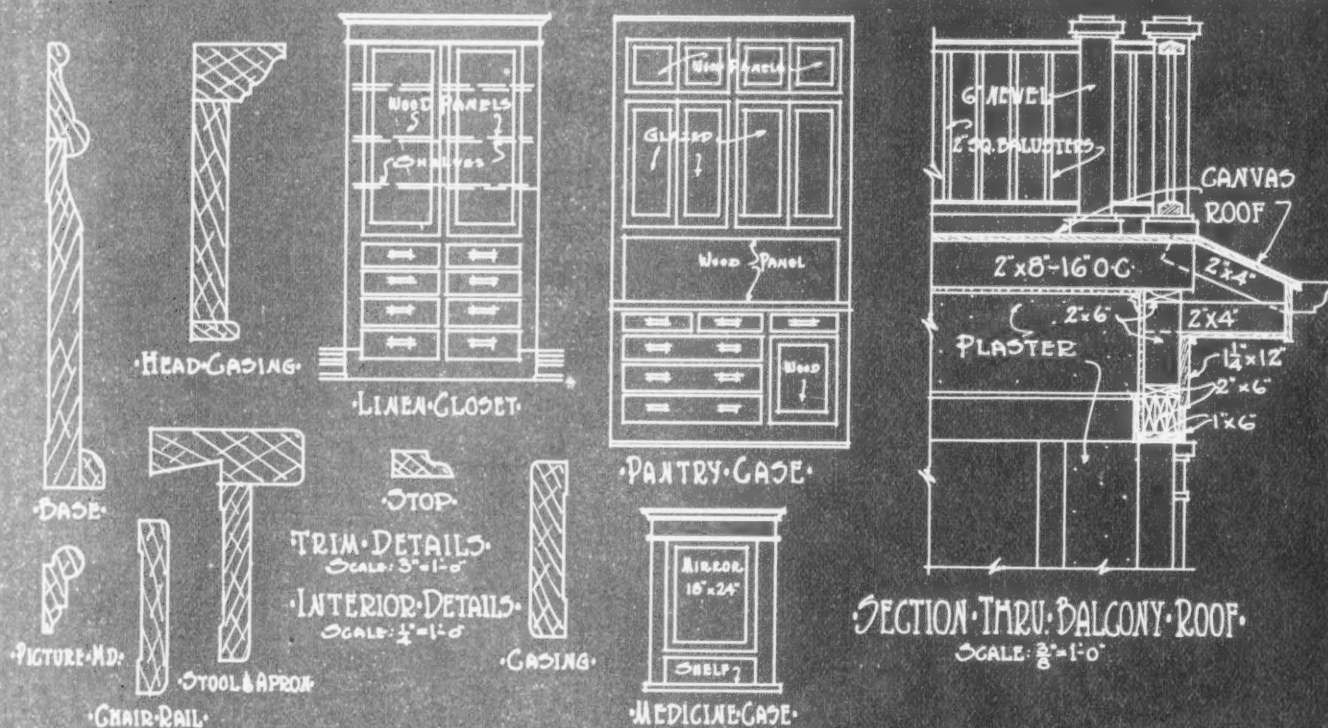
SCALE: $\frac{1}{4}$ " = 1'-0"



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: $\frac{1}{4}$ " = 1'-0"

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Homes for Workingmen



Practical Plans for Industrial Housing

Government Housing Project at Quincy

A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF HOW THE UNITED STATES HOUSING BUREAU OPERATES

By Allen Chamberlain

In the Boston Evening Transcript

JUST on the eve of this country's entering the war it was estimated by a group of well-posted investigators that in the several industrial centers of the country at large there was, all told, a shortage of something like forty thousand houses of types acceptable to workmen. Meantime the situation has become even more aggravated in many places owing to the phenomenal expansion of plants engaged on armament contracts. For instance, Quincy, Mass., affords a notable example of a great shipbuilding plant that in a few months' time has grown under the stimulation of war necessities far beyond what was anticipated even as late as September, 1917. In talking with Mr. Powell at that time—he was then president of the Fore River Company—he stated that his normal force of four thousand men had been doubled since war was declared, and that he expected to treble it within another six months. The housing situation was not then regarded as acute in connection with that plant. Thru private activity new houses had been provided within reasonable reach, and others were in contemplation. Moreover, transportation facilities had been rearranged and extended so as to make it possible for men to live at a considerable distance from the works. Mr. Powell is certainly a far-seeing man in most things, but in view of what has lately transpired at Quincy his estimate that he might eventually need perhaps three times his ordinary force appears to have been somewhat myopic. That was not a miscalculation on his part, however. It was merely an example of his characteristic conservatism of statement. Since then the yard has been greatly enlarged, so that the payroll is already nearly four-fold that of pre-war days, and the present management expects that it will be five times as great in the near future.

As a result Quincy presents a very real housing

problem today, and one quite beyond an economic solution in these times thru any possible intervention of private investors, or by any juggling with transportation. Since, as someone has said, the workman does not carry a house with him, turtlewise, when he moves to a new job, Uncle Sam's Bureau of Industrial Housing, a war-time adjunct of the Department of Labor, has gone to his rescue in Quincy, as it has already done in other places wherever the welfare of army and navy contracts was concerned. Even now a village of temporary dormitories, to house a thousand or more single men, is well under construction, but the real job of setting up some forty-five acres of permanent, modern houses for the use of upward of four hundred self-respecting families, is only now about to be undertaken.

Ever since early spring the government housing authorities have had this project actively in hand, and now that the contracts for the construction are about to be let their carefully considered plans will be given speedy realization, so that it is expected that the houses will be ready for occupancy, in part at least, in time for Christmas. Once the plans have been perfected on one of these government undertakings their execution is a relatively simple matter for a competent contractor. It is stated that not long ago, on a prospect in New Jersey, five up-to-date houses were erected, complete from cellar to roof-tree, and finished inside and out, in thirty-six hours. And it is safe to assume that the Housing Bureau does not tolerate any slap-dash structural work. It is investing government money on a long-time basis, and skimpy construction will not pay. The men who are managing the housing enterprises for the government are not mere idealists. They are also men of high standing in the building world, and in the professions of architecture, landscape design and engineering. It

is their evident aim to turn out a product which shall in every way be worthy of the trade-mark of the United States government—something not merely made to sell—caveat emptor—but made to suit the users, and made on honor.

What the Bureau Stands For

The published standards of design and construction adopted by the bureau for the guidance of architects and engineers engaged upon the projects certainly indicate that the ideals are far from the class of jerry buildings. The policy of the bureau was succinctly expressed by its director, Otto M. Eidlitz of New York, when he stated his conviction that "The Housing Bureau must not bend the knee to the Utopist with his plans for the City Beautiful, nor to the profiteer who would charge exorbitant rents for unsanitary houses at the peril of his country. The policy of the Housing Bureau is rather to help the worker to find a satisfactory home thru its Homes Registration Service, or thru transportation, and when these methods fail it is to build, as soon as possible, a sufficient number of wholesome homes to house the workmen not otherwise provided for."

Making Haste Slowly

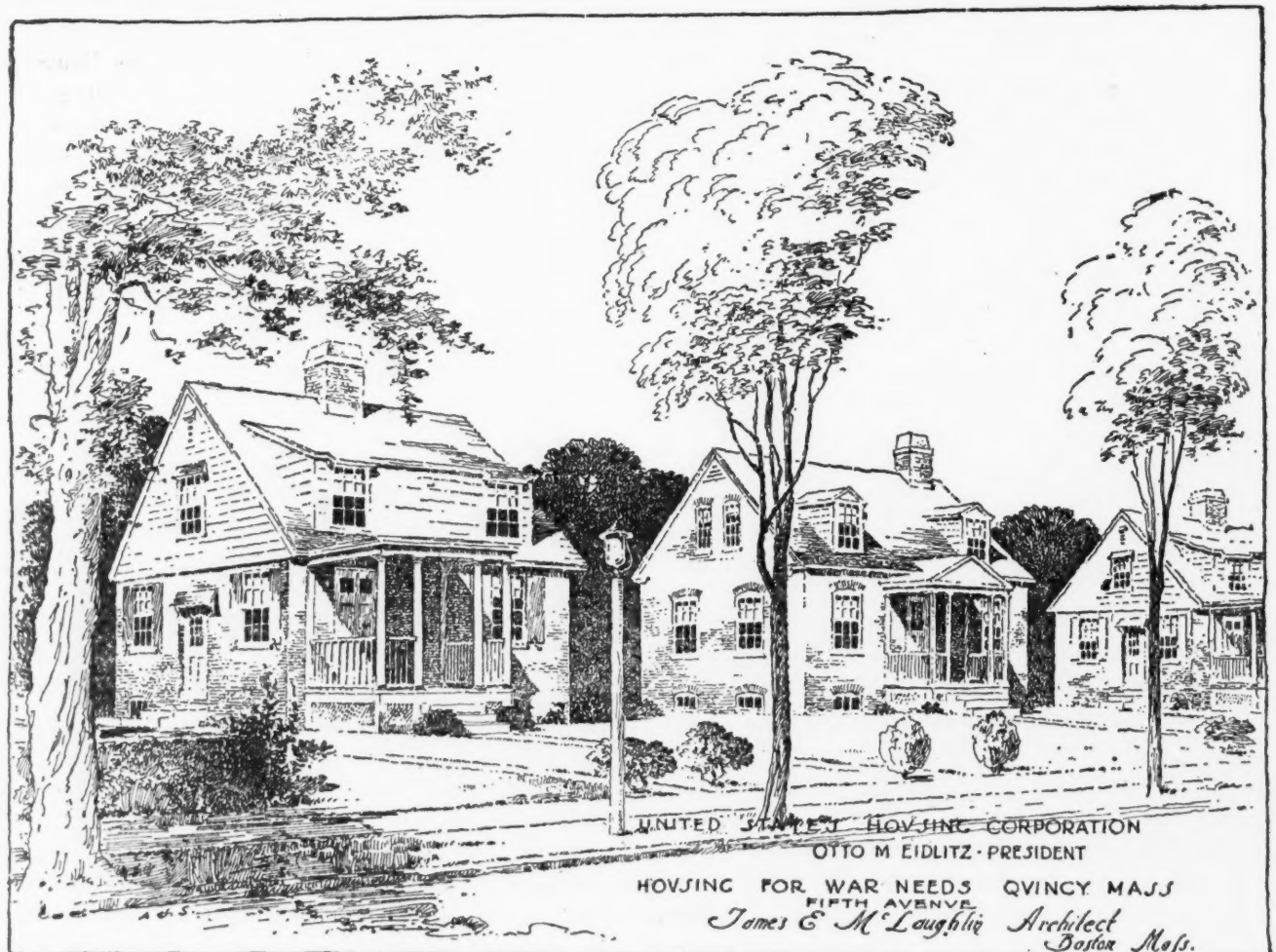
Altho the necessity for government aid became apparent some months ago, the bureau was unable, for

various reasons, to afford instant relief. Until Congress remedied the matter, along in the middle of July, it had neither authority nor funds to enable it to act in this emergency. Anticipating favorable legislative action, the bureau endeavored to expedite matters so far as it might, and sundry essential preliminaries were pushed so that the main activities might move expeditiously once the authority was received. In a public enterprise of this nature, involving the expenditure of large sums for land purchase and construction, and the careful engineering of the project so that it will harmonize fully with local development schemes, and at the same time serve its primary purpose, the greatest care must naturally be taken at every step to insure against fraudulent dealings, and to preclude the possibility of serious errors. Thus the work of looking up sites, and generally investigating the necessities began early in April, and once Congress gave the word the negotiations for the purchases, and the plans for the development moved steadily along.

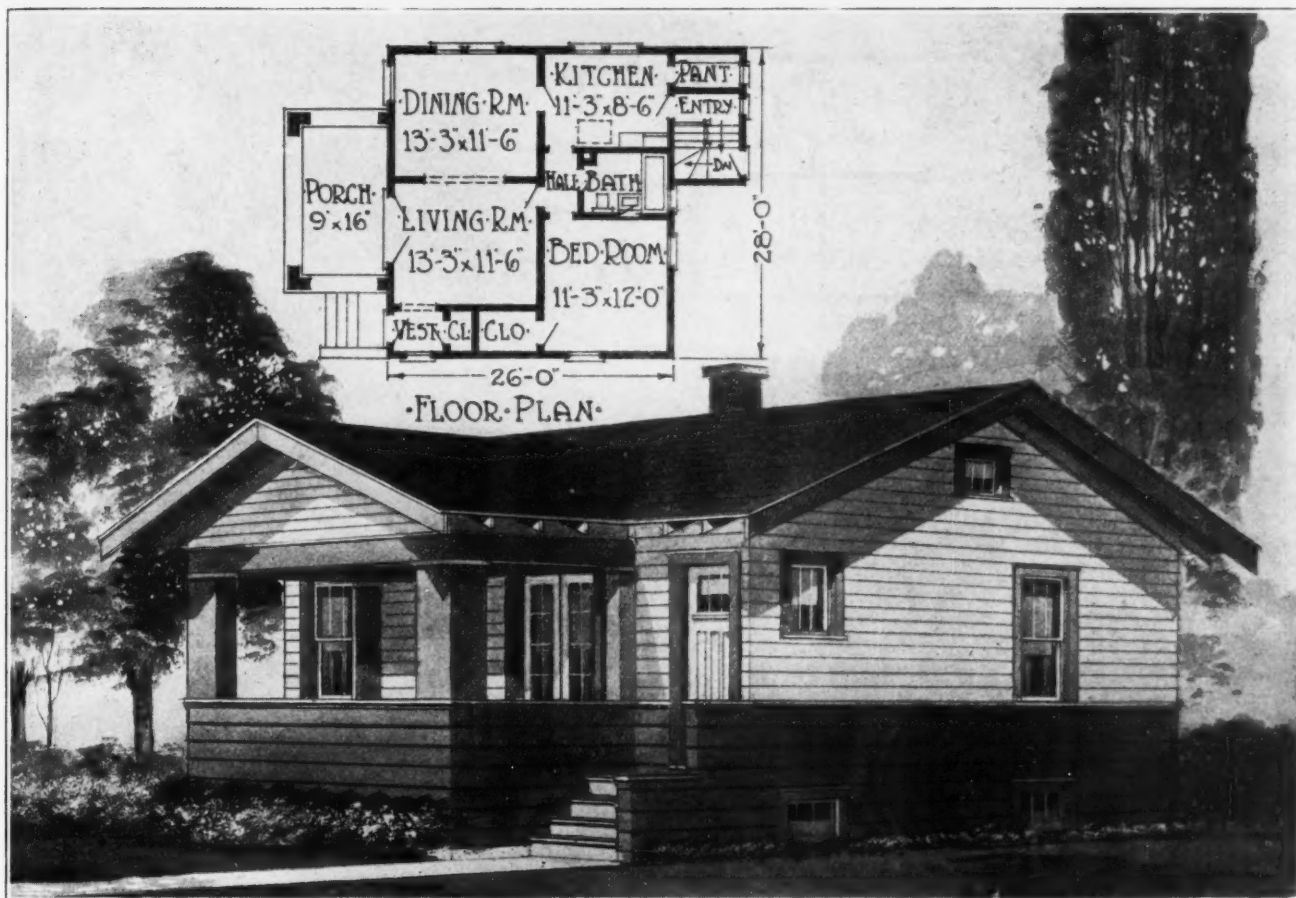
Houses to Please the Tenants

Having looked over the available land within a given radius, the value of the lots had to be appraised by a number of qualified local and governmental repre-

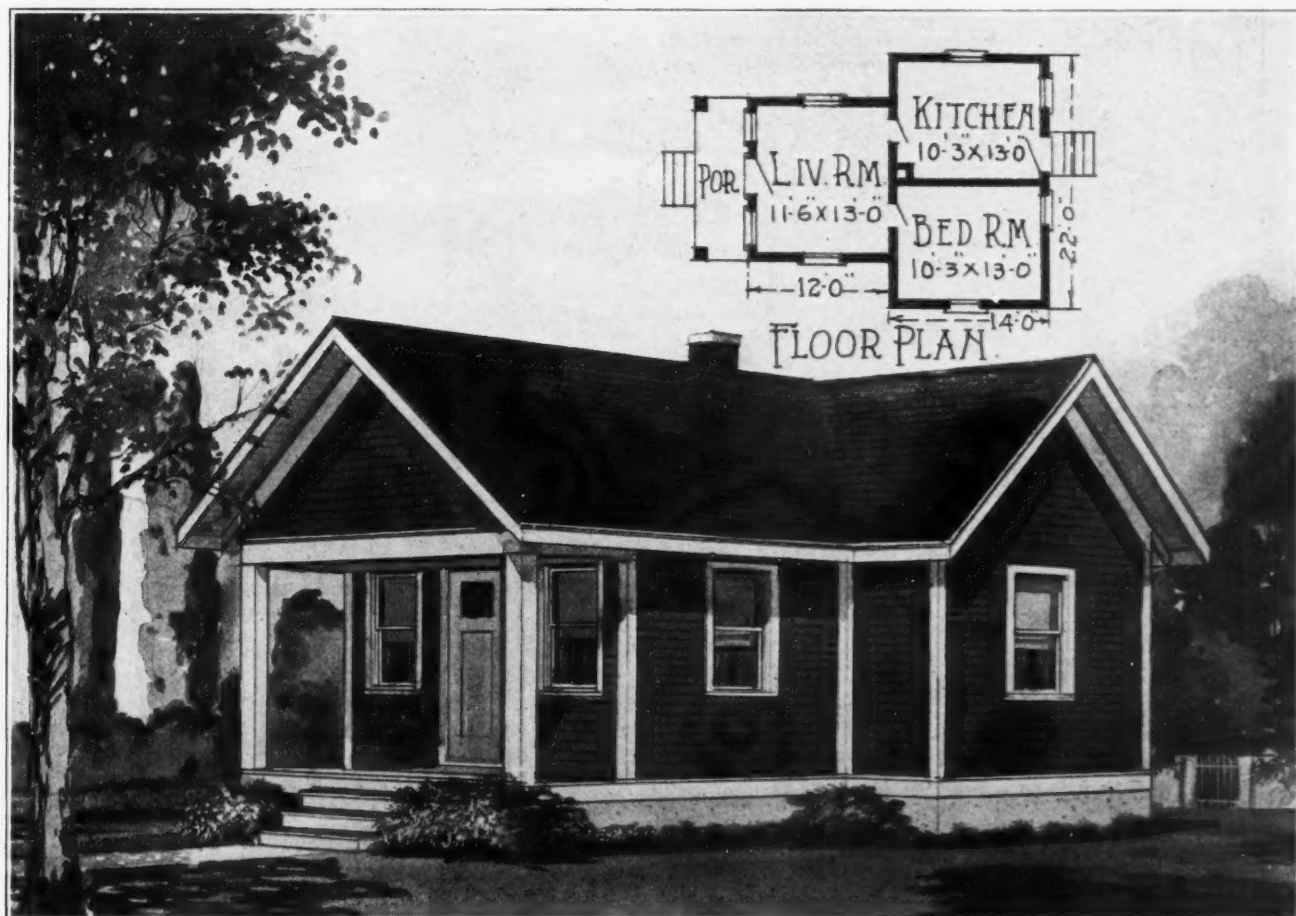
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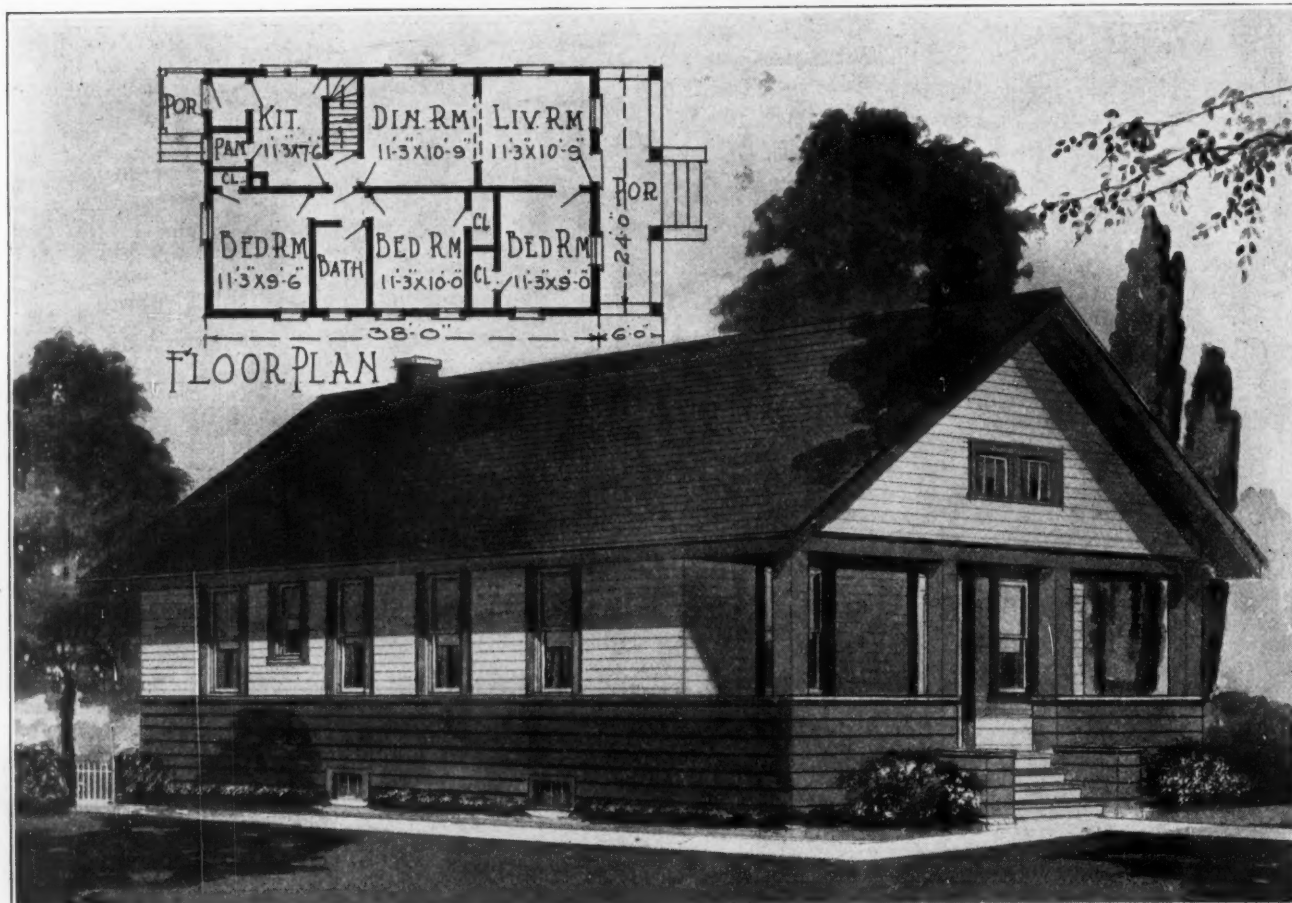
A Few Types of the Many in the Government's Housing Plans for Quincy, Mass.



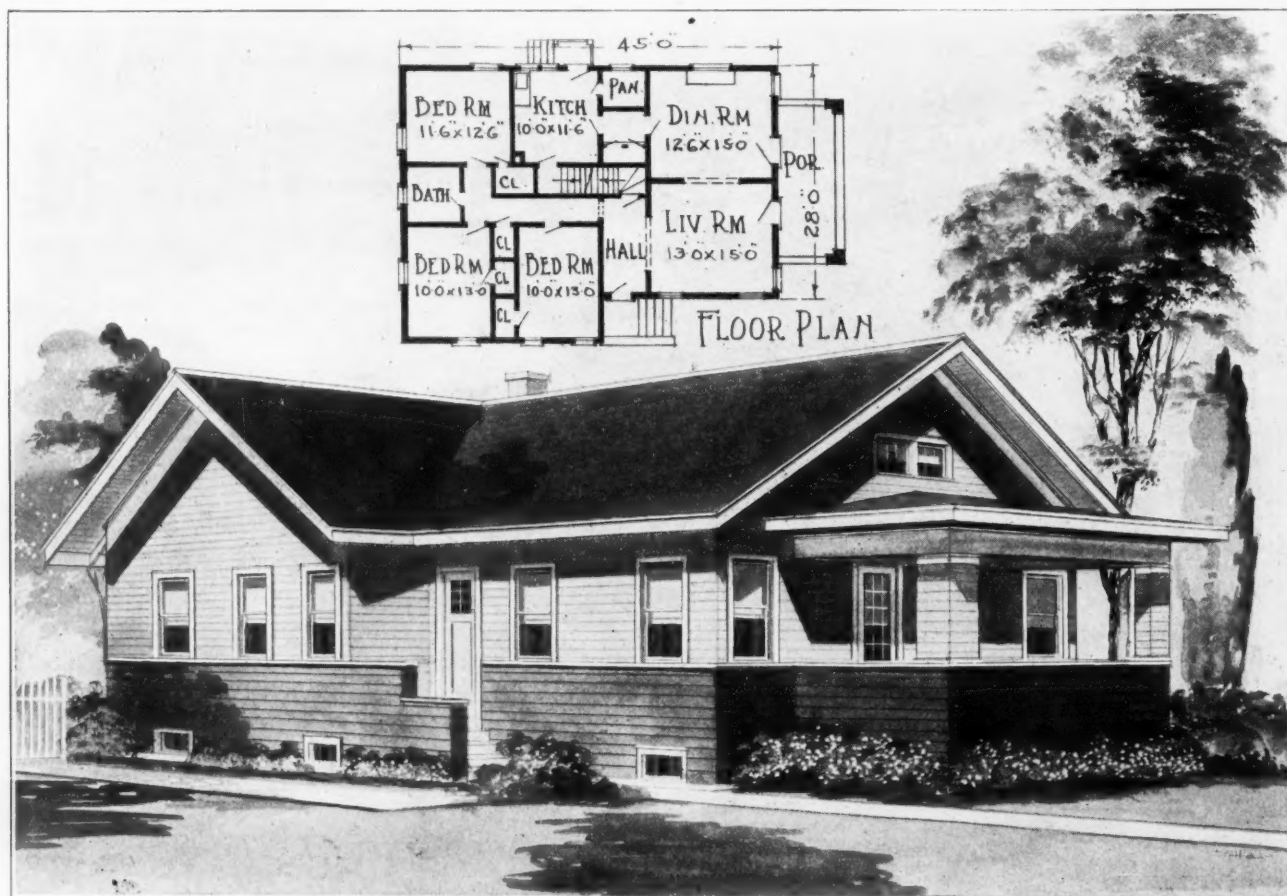
FOUR ROOM BUNGALOW. This stylish little dwelling has all the modern features—private front porch with French doors opening from living room, kitchen convenient yet separated from the rest of the plan, and the bedroom occupying a quiet corner. The size is 28 feet across the front by 26 feet in depth, not figuring porch or rear entry extension.



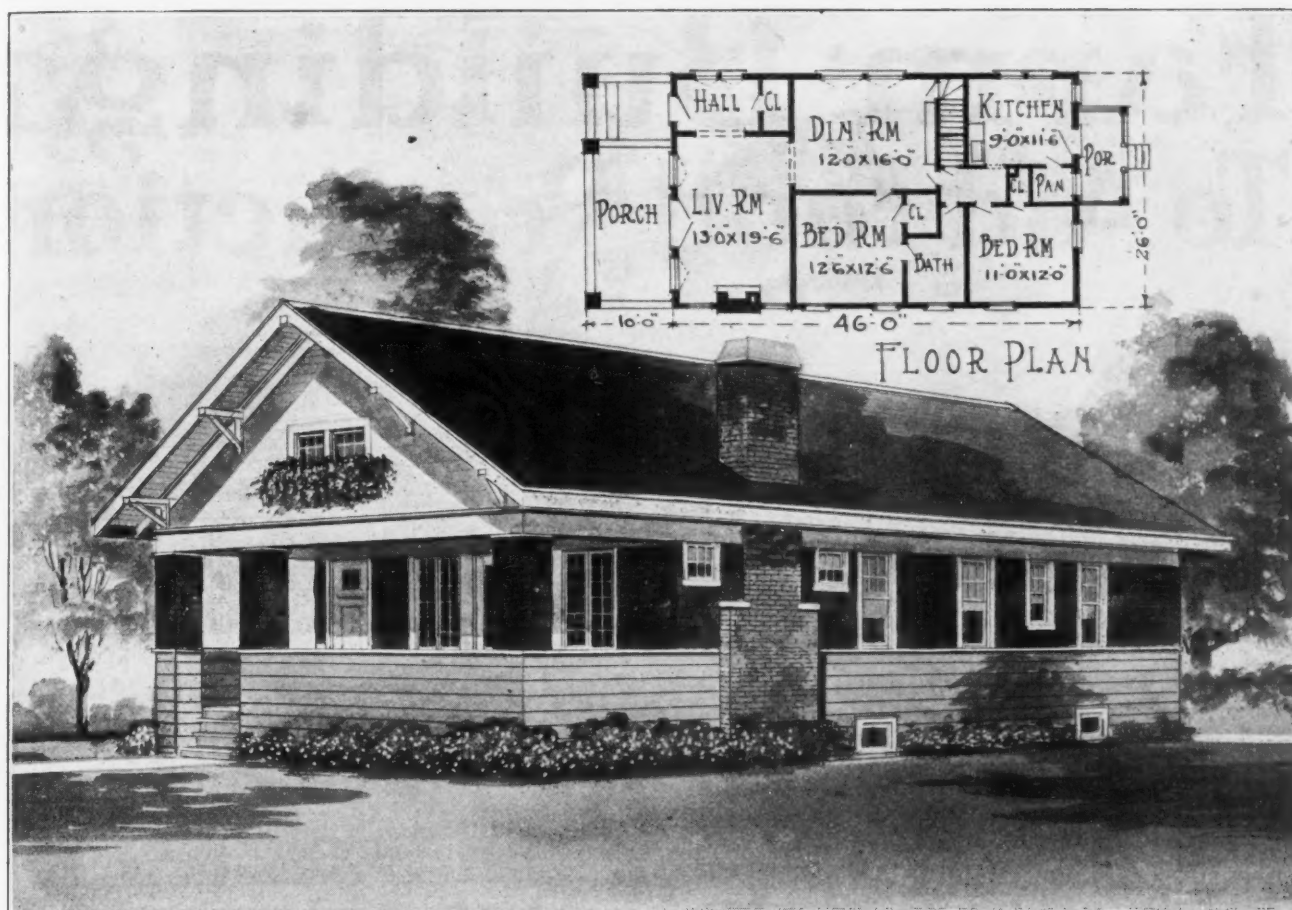
THREE-ROOM BUNGALOW. The design of this structure makes it look larger than it really is. Three rooms are contained in the upright and wing. For industrial housing cottage or farm tenant house this will be a popular design.



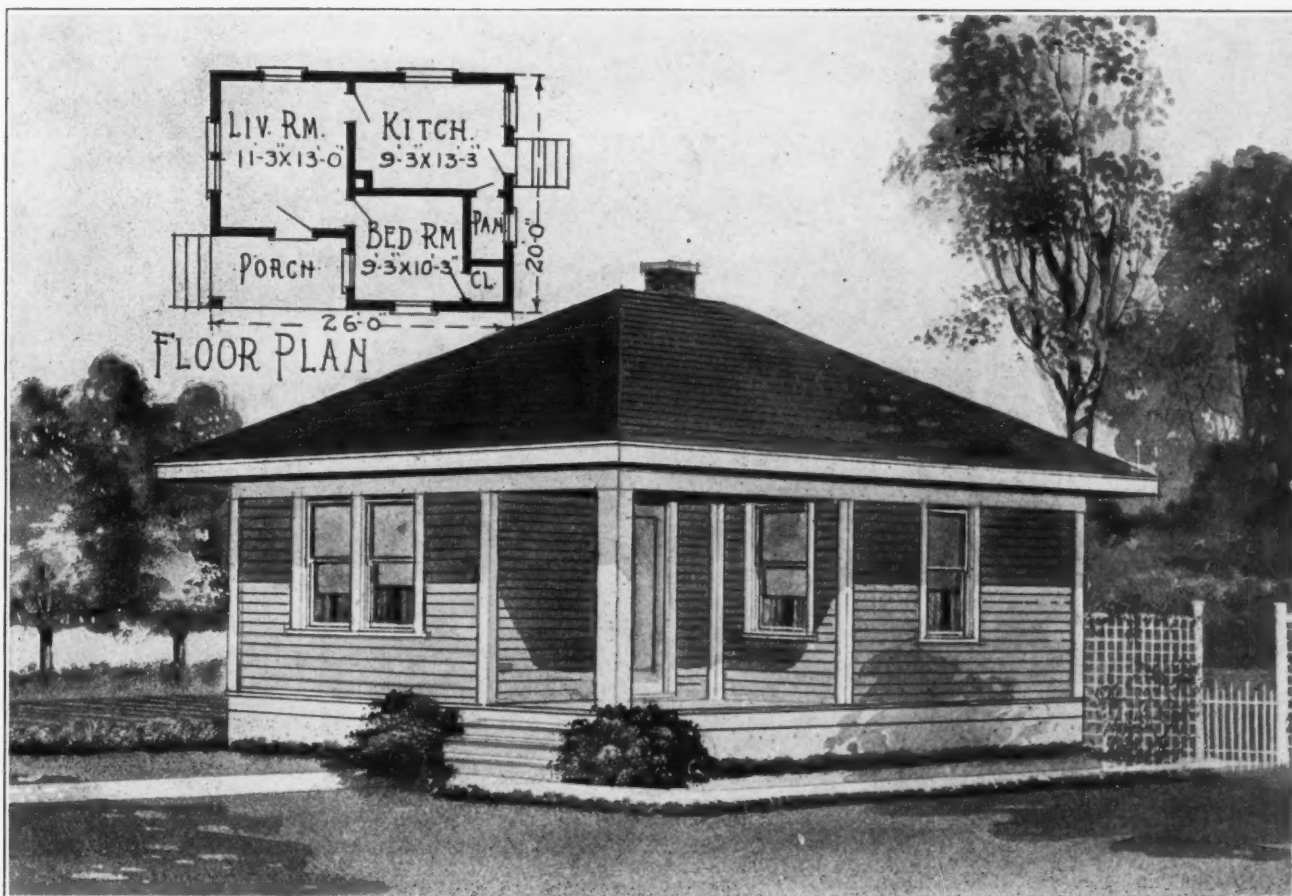
NARROW LOT COTTAGE. Six rooms and bath all nicely arranged are provided in this cottage, size 24 by 38 feet. The rooms are small, but very convenient. Three bedrooms are provided. Some use can also be made of the attic space. The stairway goes up from the kitchen.



SIDE ENTRANCE BUNGALOW. It would be difficult to devise a better six-room bungalow than this. The three bedrooms and bath are well separated from the front of the house. The living room, dining room and big private porch make a very pleasant group.



THE IDEAL FIVE-ROOM BUNGALOW. Years of planning have not produced any better five-room city bungalow arrangement than this. The side hall in connection with the living room, the front porch which can be glassed in and screened, and the placing of the bedrooms, all are ideal in this design. The exterior is good-looking, tho economical.



THREE-ROOM SIMPLICITY. This square little house contains living room, good-sized kitchen, a pantry, one bedroom and a clothes closet. It is the modest home reduced to its simplest terms. This makes a good, inexpensive farm tenant house.

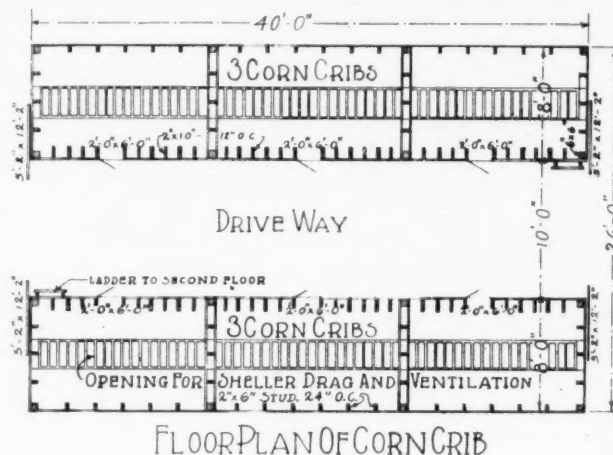
Farm Buildings To Aid Food Production



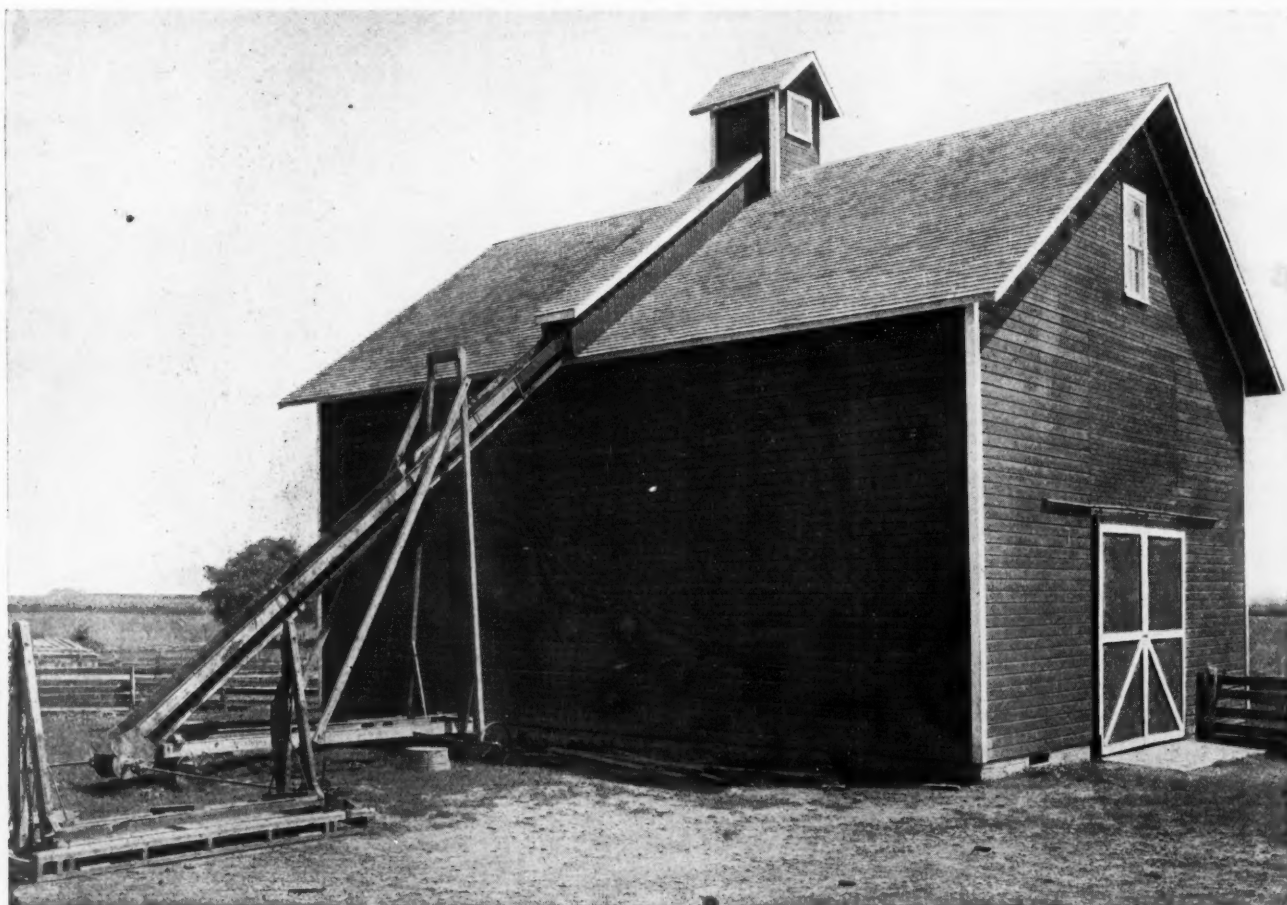
High Corn Crib for Portable Elevator

THE portable cup elevator for handling ear corn or small grains into the high bins is a full brother to the built-in type which we have often illustrated in these pages. It operates by gas engine or horse sweep power. It is mounted on a trestle truck resting on small iron wheels; and so, by taking down the long carrier, is easily moved from one building to another or to a neighbor's barn—wherever there is grain elevating to be done.

The building for this style equipment needs but a small cupola with side opening for the carrier. A distributing hopper inside deflects the grain to the several bins.



FLOOR PLAN OF CORN CRIB



Modern High Corn Crib and Granary Arranged for the Use of a Portable Cup Elevator. Some Farmers Prefer This Equipment to the Built-In Type Operating from the Driveway. This Building Is 20 by 40 Feet. Has Corn Crib on Each Side Clear to the Plates, and Grain Bins in the Middle Over the Driveway.

Details of Construction of High Corn Crib and Granary Illustrated on Opposite Page. Note how the distributing hopper is arranged in the cupola.

Back-Yard Poultry Keeping

IN THREE PARTS—PART II

By Rob R. Slocum

Animal Husbandry Division United States Department of Agriculture

(Continued from September Issue)

The yard should be inclosed by a board or wire fence. Wire fencing is preferable, as it is cheaper and the hens are less likely to fly over it. If cats prove troublesome, where one is raising young chickens, it may be necessary to cover the top of the yard with wire also. A board should not be used at the top of a wire fence, as this gives the hens a visible place to alight and tends to teach them to fly over. A 5-foot fence is high enough for most conditions, but if the hens show a tendency to fly over such a fence the flight feathers of one wing should be clipped. The larger the yard which can be provided the better the hens



Poultry Houses, Each of Which Is Made Out of Two Piano Boxes. The Two Boxes Are Placed Back to Back, 3 Feet Apart, the Back and Top of Each Removed, a Frame for Roof and Floor Added, and the Part Between the Two Boxes Built in with the Boards Removed From the Boxes. The Whole Is Covered with Roofing Paper.

will do, as it not only gives them greater opportunity to exercise, but also makes it possible to maintain a sod on the yard. In most cases not enough land will be available so that sod can be maintained.

If the yard is fairly large, it can be divided into two parts and green crops, such as oats, wheat, rye, or dwarf essex rape, allowed to start in one yard while the hens are confined to the other. The green crops should be sown very thick, and the following quantities will be found satisfactory for a yard 25 by 30 feet: Wheat, $2\frac{3}{4}$ pounds; oats, $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds; rye, $3\frac{1}{4}$ pounds; rape, 5 ounces. When the growing stuff reaches a height of 2 or 3 inches the hens can be turned upon it and the other yards be similarly sown.

Where it is inadvisable to divide the yard, it is possible to keep a supply of green stuff growing by using a wooden frame 2 or 3 inches high, covered with 1-inch mesh wire. A frame made of 2 by 4 lumber, 6 feet long and 3 feet wide, with an additional piece across the center to support the wire when the hens stand on it, will be found desirable for a small yard. A part of the yard as large as this frame is spaded up

and sown, the frame placed over it, and the material allowed to grow. As soon as the green sprouts reach the wire the hens will begin to pick them off, but since they cannot eat them down to the roots the sprouts will continue to grow and supply green material. This frame can be moved from place to place in the yard, and in this way different parts cultivated.

The yard should be stirred or spaded up frequently if not in sod in order to keep it in the best condition. This will not only tend to keep down any odors which might arise, but also allow the droppings to be absorbed into the soil more readily and therefore keep the yard in better condition for the hens.

Altho it is necessary to keep the hens confined to their yard most of the time, it is sometimes possible to let them out where they may range upon the lawn for an hour or so in the evening when some one can be at hand to watch them, or at certain seasons of the year to allow them to run in the garden plot. This will be enjoyed greatly by the hens and will be very beneficial to them.

Feeding

In feeding the city flock an effort should be made to do so as cheaply as possible, consistent with the production of eggs. To accomplish this, all table scraps, kitchen waste, etc., should be utilized. Scraps of meat or left-over vegetables which cannot be utilized in any other way make excellent feed. There are also many other waste products, such as beet tops, turnip tops, carrot tops, potato parings, onion tops, watermelon and cantaloupe rinds, the outside leaves of cabbages, waste lettuce leaves, bread and cake crumbs, etc., all of which are relished by the hens and can be used to the best advantage. In saving the scraps and waste it is well to separate the portions adapted for feeding to the flock and place these in a receptacle or pail of their own. Decomposed waste material or moldy bread or



Rear View of Piano-Box Houses Shown Above. The Openings at the Rear Are Provided for Ventilation and Coolness in the Hot Weather. Windows Could be Used Instead of Solid Shutters and Would Make the Houses Lighter When Closed.

cake should never be saved to feed to the hens, as it is harmful to them and may cause serious bowel trouble. Sloppy material, such as dishwater, should not be thrown into their pail. It is also useless to put in such things as banana peels or the skin of oranges, as these have little or no food value. Any sour milk which is not utilized in the house should be given to the chickens. This should be fed separately, however, either by allowing the hens to drink or by allowing it to

of 20 or 25 hens. By handful is meant as much as can be grasped in the hand, not what can be scooped up in the open hand. By scattering it in the litter the hens will be compelled to scratch in order to find the grain and in this way to take exercise, which is decidedly beneficial to them. If the house is too small to feed in, the grain can be scattered on the ground outside. A good grain mixture for this purpose is composed of equal parts by weight of wheat, cracked



A Typical Back Yard Poultry Establishment in a City Suburb. "Kill the Roosters and Keep the Hens Confined," Is the Rule for Success.

clabber on the back of the stove and then feeding it in that condition. When the family's table waste is not sufficient for feeding the flock, it is usually possible to get some of the neighbors who keep no hens to save material suitable for feeding. Many people are glad to do this if a small pail in which to place the waste is furnished.

Table scraps and kitchen waste are best prepared for feeding by running them thru an ordinary meat grinder. After the material has been put thru the grinder it is usually a rather moist mass, and it is well to mix with it some corn meal, bran, or other ground grain until the whole mass assumes a crumbly condition. The usual method is to feed the table scraps at noon or at night, or at both times, as may be desired, in a trough, or on a board. All should be fed that the hens will eat up clean, and if any of the material is left after one-half or three-quarters of an hour it should be removed. If allowed to lie it may spoil and would be very bad for the hens.

With the table scraps it is well to feed some grain. Perhaps this may be given best as a light feed in the morning. Four or five handfuls of grain (about $\frac{1}{2}$ pint) scattered in the litter will be sufficient for a flock

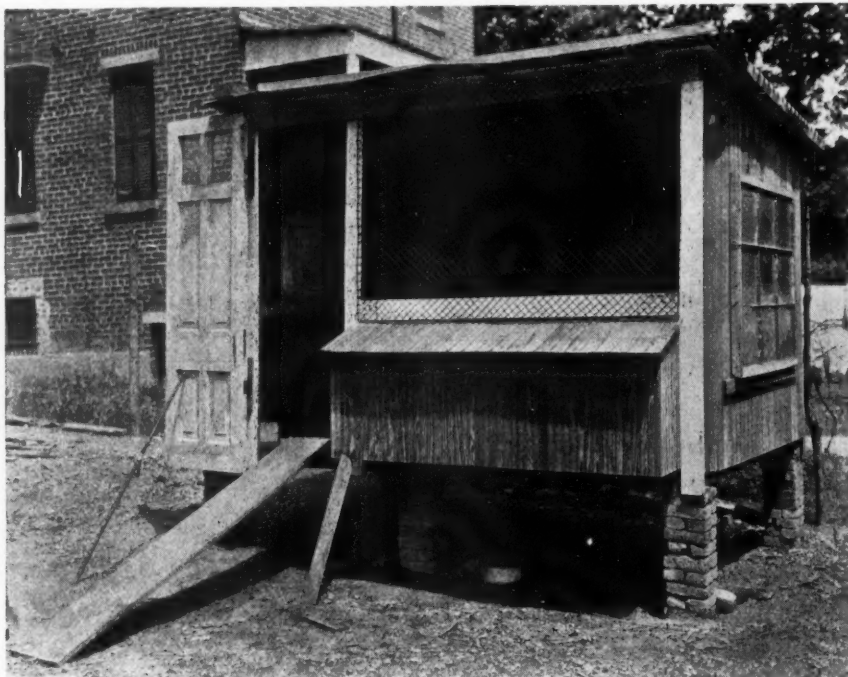
corn and oats. Another suitable grain mixture is composed of 2 parts by weight of cracked corn and 1 part oats.

In addition to the grain and the table scraps it is well to feed a dry mash. This dry mash is composed of various ground grains and is placed in a mash hopper or box from which the hens can help themselves. The advantage of feeding such a mash is that the hens always have access to feed, and this tends to make up for any faulty, inexperienced, or insufficient feeding. The hens do not like the dry mash so well that they are likely to overeat, but it will supply a source of feed in case they are not getting enough. The dry mash also provides a suitable medium for feeding beef scrap, a certain amount of which may or may not be necessary, depending upon the amount of meat scraps available in the table waste. If the hens show a tendency to become overfat it may be desirable to close the mash hopper during a part of the day and allow them access to it only during a certain period, preferably the afternoon. A good dry mash is composed of equal parts by weight of corn meal, wheat bran, wheat middlings, and beef scrap. Another good mash is composed of 3 parts by weight of corn meal and 1 part beef scrap. Still a

third mash, which has given excellent results, is composed of 1 pound of wheat bran, 1 pound of wheat middlings, 6.5 pounds of beef scrap, and 16.5 pounds of corn meal. The beef scrap used in the dry mash is usually the most expensive ingredient, but it is a very essential part of the mash and very efficient for egg production. It should not be eliminated or reduced unless the quantity of meat in the table scraps is considerable or unless some other product can be substituted for it. Fish scrap, when available, may replace the beef scrap, or cottonseed meal can be used to replace one-half the beef scrap in the mash. No attempt should be made to replace more than half the beef scrap with cottonseed meal, as the results in egg

The hens should have access at all times to a supply of grit or stones of a size small enough to be swallowed readily. Grit is used by the hens to help in grinding in their gizzards the hard grains which they eat. A supply of ordinary gravel will answer the purpose of grit very well. Crushed oyster or clam shell also should be given to the hens and be kept before them at all times. If this is withheld the hens are likely to lack sufficient shell-forming material in their feed, with the result that they lay many soft-shelled or thin-shelled eggs. Grit or shell can be purchased in small quantities at any feed or poultry supply store.

A plentiful supply of clean, fresh water must always be available to the hens. The fowls drink freely, especially when laying heavily, and should not be stinted of such a necessary and cheap material as water. The water pan or dish should be kept clean. If it is not washed out frequently a green slime will gather on its inner surface. This should not be allowed to happen. It is well to keep the water pan outside the house and in the shade in the summer, but in the winter, when the water may freeze, it is best that the pan be left in the house, and it should be raised about a foot above the floor so that the hens will not kick it full of straw or other litter when scratching for their feed. When nights are cold enough so that the water is likely to freeze the pan should be emptied each night and refilled in the morning.



A Good Type of Open-Front Poultry House for a Small Flock. The Front Can be Closed with a Muslin Curtain on Cold Nights. The House Is Set on Brick Piers so as Not to Afford a Refuge for Rats. Notice the Nests Built Out on the Front of the House Where the Eggs Can be Reached by Raising the Hinged Cover.

production and in the quality of the eggs will be unsatisfactory.

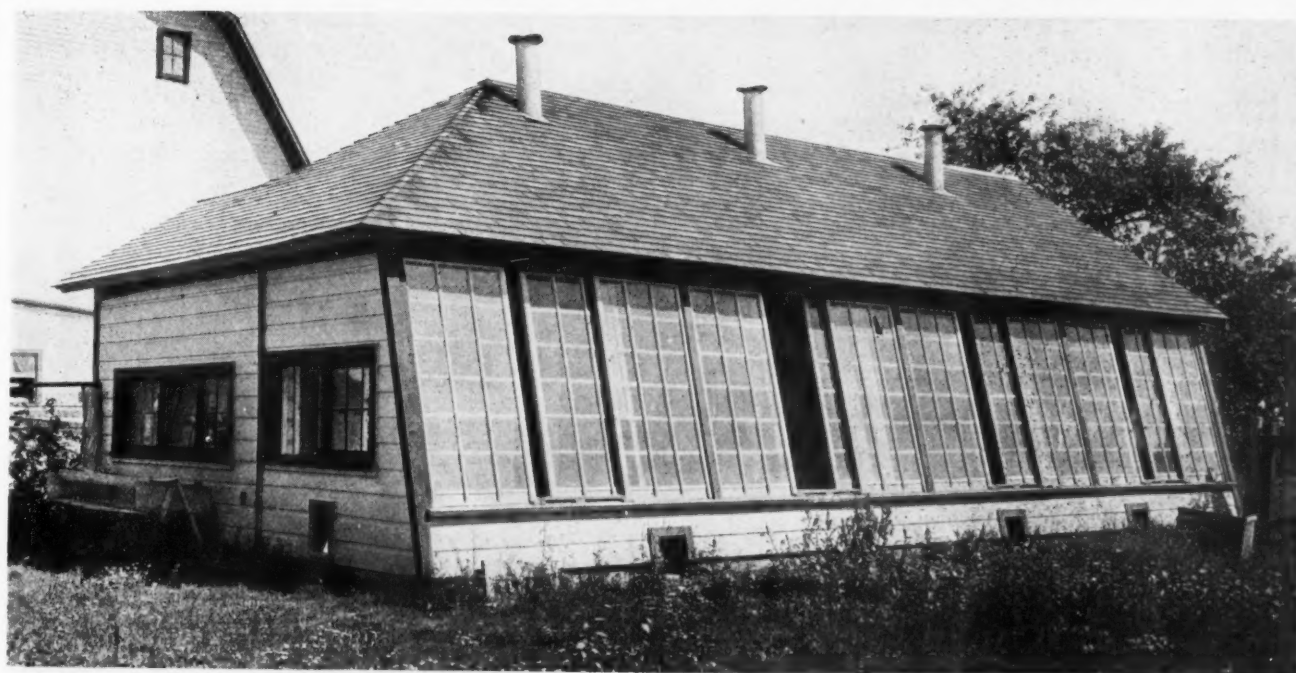
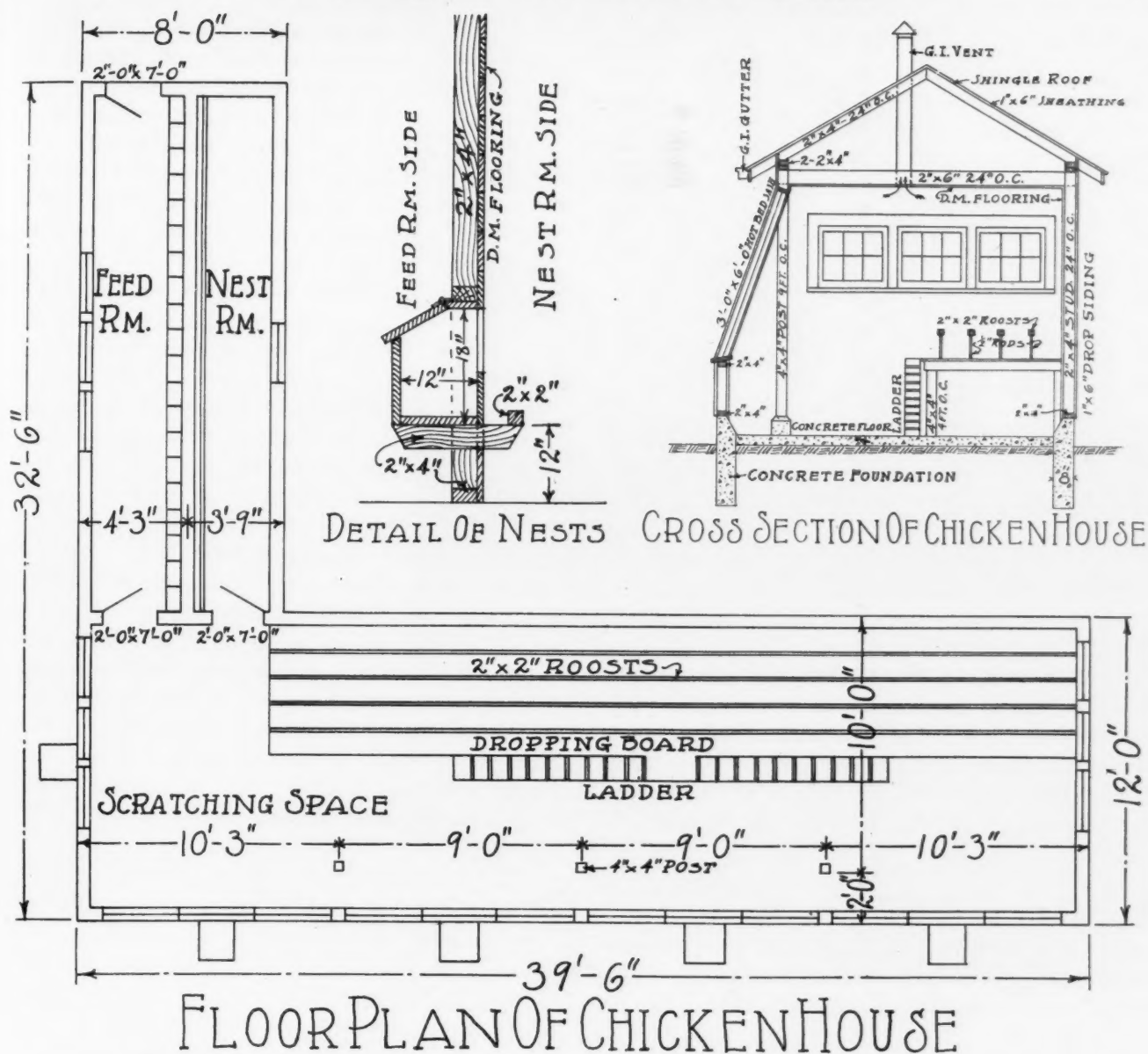
Green cut bone can often be purchased from the butcher. This material when procured fresh makes an excellent substitute for beef scrap. It should be purchased in small quantities, as it cannot be kept fresh for any length of time and when spoiled may cause severe bowel trouble. It is best fed in a trough not oftener than ever other day, allowing about one-half ounce per bird. Should severe or continued looseness of the bowels follow the feeding of green cut bone it should be discontinued or the quantity reduced.

Vegetable tops, parings and other vegetable refuse supply a valuable and very necessary green feed for the hens. Lawn clippings also are a valuable green feed. They can be fed as soon as cut, or they may be dried or cured, stored in bags and saved until winter, when they can be soaked in warm water and fed in that condition or be mixed with some of the mash or with the table scraps.

Lice and Mites

If the best results are to be expected from the flock, the hens must not be allowed to become overrun with lice or the house with mites. Usually there will be a place in the yard where the hens can dust themselves in the dry dirt. If such a place is not available, a box large enough (about 2 feet square) for the hens to get into it should be provided in the house and a quantity of dust such as ordinary road dust or fine dirt placed in it to allow the hens a place to dust themselves. A dust bath aids the hens in keeping lice in check and therefore adds to their comfort. Usually the lice are not present on the birds in sufficient number to prove particularly harmful. However, it is better to keep the hens as free as possible from this pest, and if they are not able to keep them in check by dusting themselves, other measures can be undertaken.

To rid the hens of lice, each one can be treated by placing small pinches of sodium fluorid, a material which can be obtained at most large drug stores, among the feathers next to the skin—one pinch on the head, one on the neck, two on the back, one on the



Glass Front Poultry House Which Guarantees Winter Eggs. The Front Is Built of Hot-Bed Sash Set Slanting to Catch the Direct Rays of the Sun. The Main Section Is the Scratching Floor and Roosting Space. The Nest Room Is in the Wing.



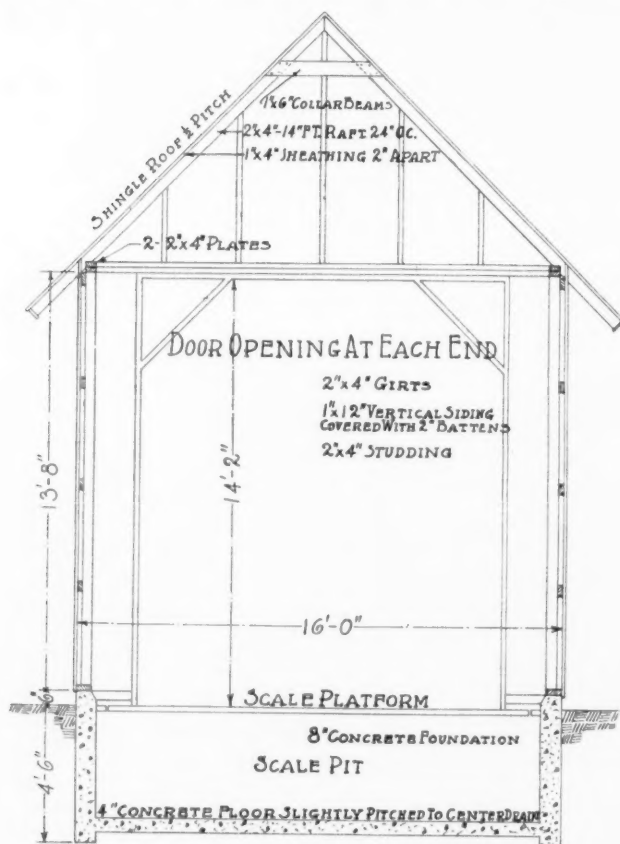
Well Built House for Farm Platform Scale. Every Farmer Should Have a Scale and Should Protect It from the Weather by Means of a Suitable Building. The Doors Enclosing the Platform, and the Fencing Leading up on Each Side, Make It Easy to Weigh Live Stock Either Singly or in Flocks.

breast, one below the vent, one at the base of the tail, one on either thigh, and one scattered on the underside of each wing when spread. Another method is to use a small quantity of blue ointment, a piece about as large as a pea on the skin 1 inch below the vent. If

mercurial ointment, it should be diluted with an equal quantity of vaseline. Any of these methods will be found very effective in ridding the hens of lice and should be employed whenever the lice become troublesome. Two or three applications a year usually prove sufficient.

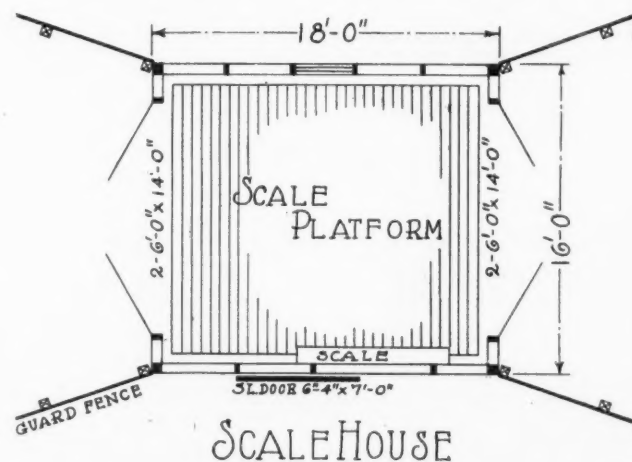
Mites are more troublesome and more harmful than lice. They do not live upon the birds like the lice, but during the day hide in the cracks and crevices of the roosts and walls of the house, and at night they come out and get upon the fowls. They suck the hen's blood, and if allowed to become plentiful—as they certainly will if not destroyed—will seriously affect her health and consequently her ability to lay eggs. They may be eradicated by a few thoro applications of

kerosene or some of the coal-tar products which are sold for this purpose, or crude petroleum, to the interior of the poultry house. The commercial coal-tar products are more expensive but retain their killing power longer, and they may be cheapened by reducing with



CROSS SECTION OF SCALE HOUSE

The Concrete Scale Pit Serves as Foundation for the Scale House. The Door Openings Should be High and Broad Enough to Pass the Biggest Load of Hay.



Ground Plan of Scale, Showing Position of Fencing for the Approaches.

an equal part of kerosene. Crude petroleum will spray better if thinned with 1 part of kerosene to 4 parts of the crude oil. Both the crude petroleum and the coal-tar products often contain foreign particles, so should be strained before attempting to spray. One must be sure that the spray reaches all of the cracks and crevices, giving especial attention to the roosts, dropping boards and nests, and the treatment should be repeated two or three times at intervals of a week or 10 days.

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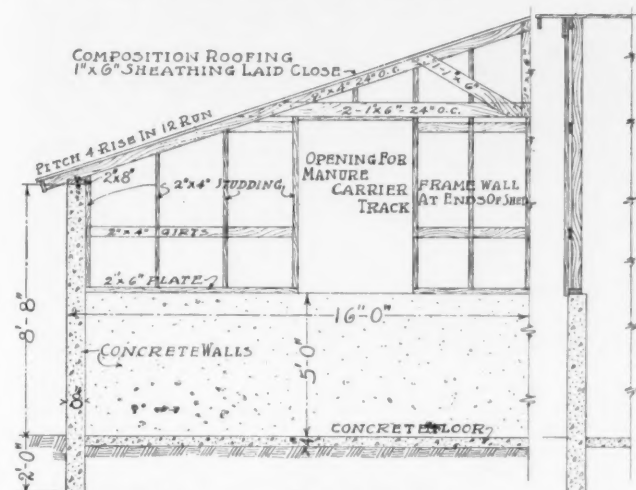
Remodeling a Barn

By John Upton

The farmer who needs a good dairy barn will sometimes do well to put a new roof on his old barn and add the new part in the form of a tee.

I recently helped on such a job. The old barn was 30x50 feet, and the new part was 34x60 feet. The main plates of the new part were put up as high as those on the old one. And as the old one was narrower, the new roof was a little steeper, to bring the peaks even.

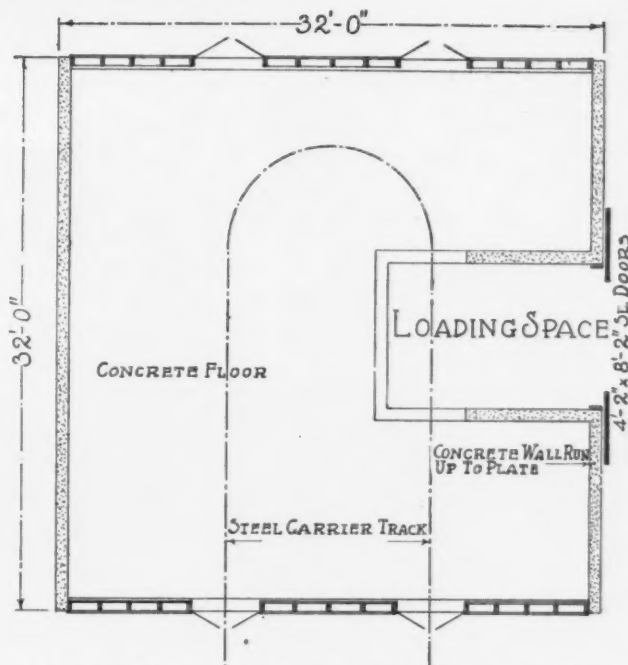
There was a drive floor across the old barn, and the plan provided for a floor in the new part next the old. This makes a very convenient plan.



CROSS SECTION OF COVERED MANURE PIT

The Manure Shed Has an 8-Inch Concrete Wall 5 Feet High Across the Ends, and 8 Feet 8 Inches on the Sides.

Hay may be taken in on either floor, and a threshing machine can be set up to run the straw over the stable or onto a scaffold over the new floor.

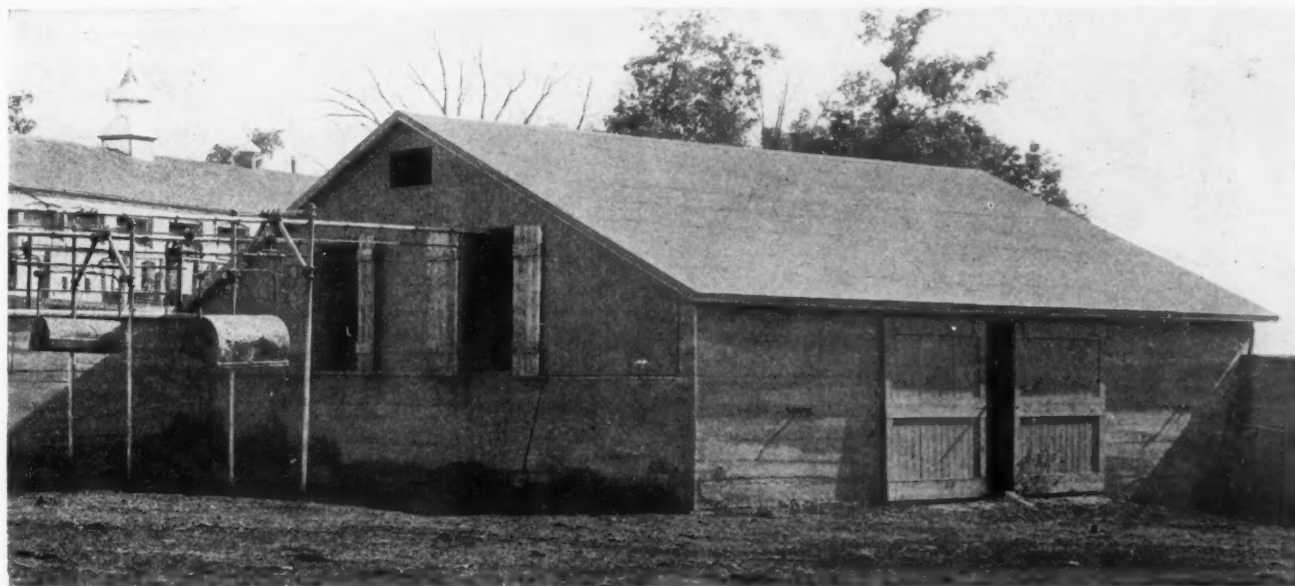


FLOOR PLAN OF COVERED MANURE PIT

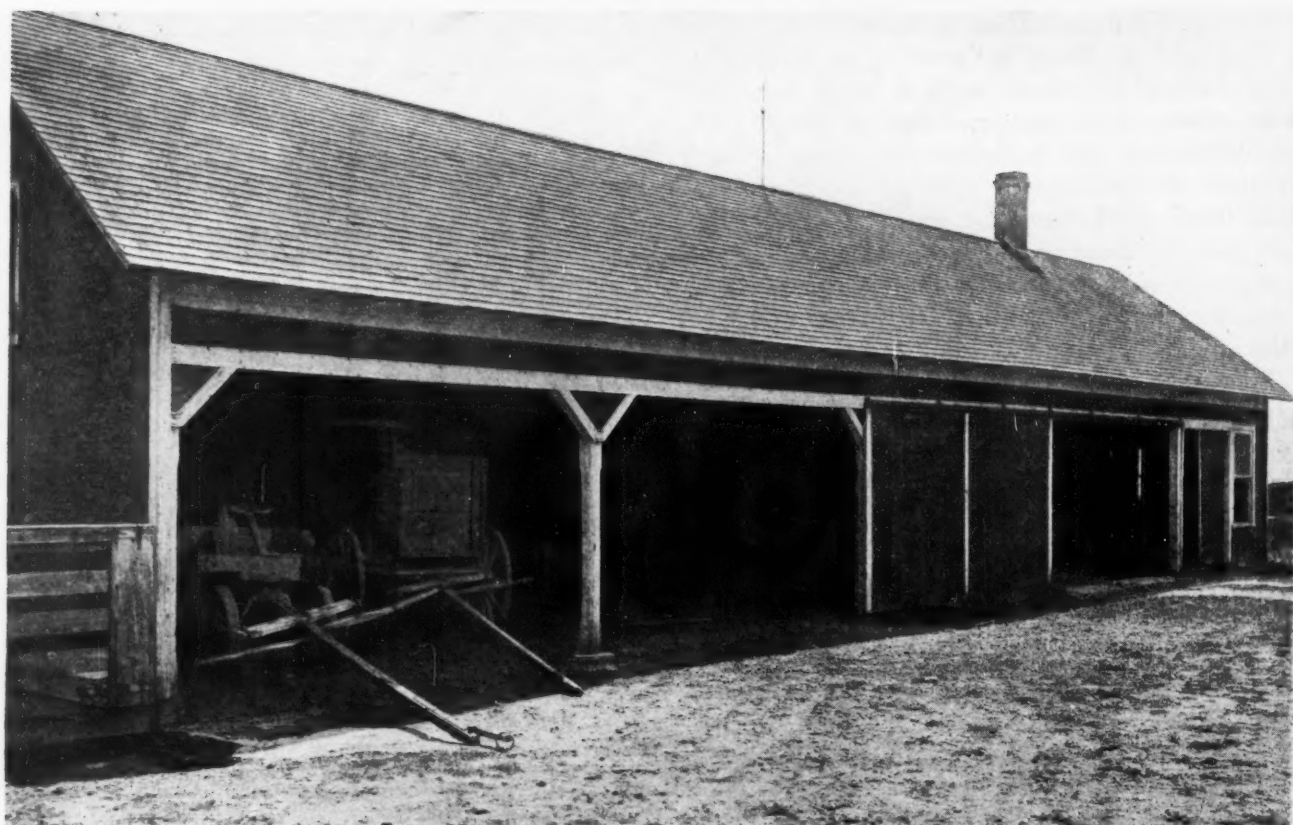
The Overhead Carrier Track Is Built on a Slope so That the Tubs Make the Circuit in and Out Again, Automatically Dumping Inside Wherever Wanted. Gravity Does the Work.

The roof on the old barn had been quite flat, so the purlin work was taken down and in place of the posts, eight feet long, others were set up fourteen feet long, and a gambrel roof was put on to match that on the new.

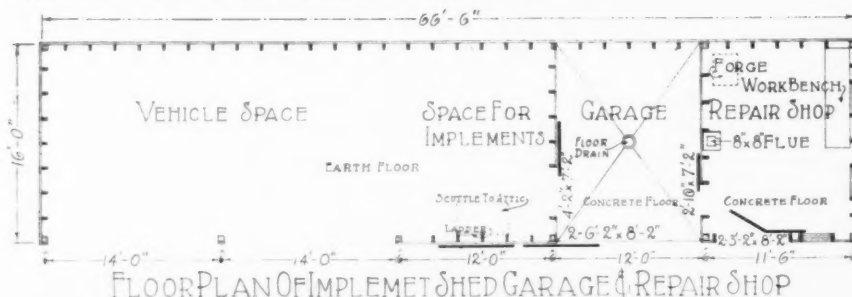
To raise the frame of the new the tackle was hitched to the old part, and then to set up the purlin work on the old part it was hitched to the new frame, the plates being put on the purlin posts first. This saved some climbing and lifting.



A Sanitary Manure Shed of Concrete and Frame Construction. The Litter Carriers Run Out from the Nearby Stable on an Overhead Track and Dump and Return Automatically. Periodically the Manure Spreader Is Backed Into the Loading Space and the Accumulation Drawn Out to the Fields. This Promotes Neatness and Sanitation Around the Barnyard, and Also Pays for Itself by Preventing the Leaching Away of the Fertilizer Content. The Farmer Is Able to Pick His Own Time for Drawing Out the Manure When It Is Most Convenient.



Here is a Practical, Money-Saving Farm Building, Combining Implement Shed, Garage and Repair Shop. It is 16 Feet Wide by 66½ Feet Long, Height 10 Feet to the Plates. The Space up Under the Roof is Floored Over, Making a Dry Storage Space for Hand Tools, Farmer's Lumber Supply, Etc. The Shop in the Far End is Equipped with Forge, so That the Farmer Can Take Care of a Good Deal of His Own Blacksmithing and Repair Work.



Shelter for the Farm Implements

TIMELY AND PATRIOTIC FARM MACHINERY SHED CAMPAIGN

Lumbermen and Builders Line Up for a Nice Fall Business on Implement Sheds

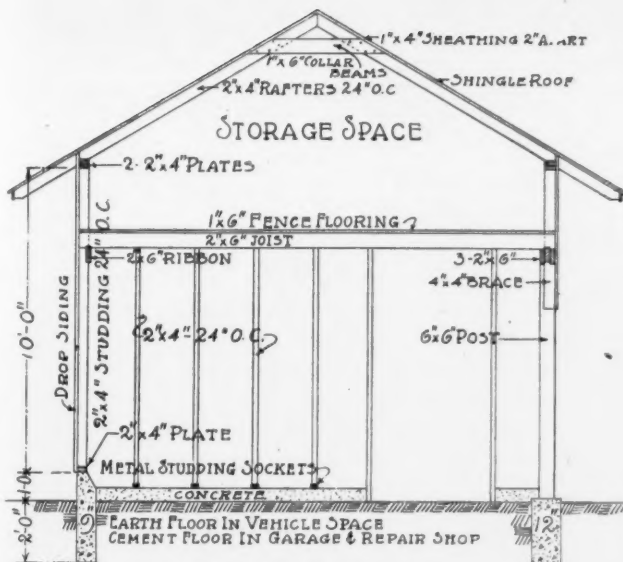
Now is the time to see that every farmer makes provision for putting away his machinery and farm implements into safe storage for the fall and winter. Farmers have invested heavily this year in new tools and appliances to save labor. If properly housed, these will serve year after year, and pay for themselves over and over again. But if left out to rust and weather, they are soon worthless.

There are very few farmers who have as much good implement storage space as they really need. Practically every farmer is a fair prospect when it comes to machinery sheds.

The lumber dealers and their "traveling salesmen," the rural carpenters and builders, should get together on a thoro-going campaign to make sure that every farm implement or piece of farm machinery is properly housed.



The Farm Shop is Equipped with Forge, Anvil, Power Grindstone, Practical Workbench, and a Good Selection of Blacksmithing and Woodworking Tools.



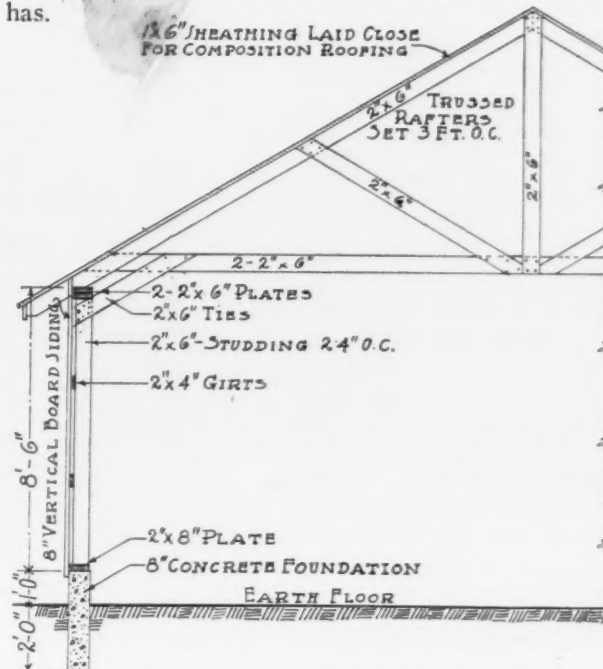
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Cross-Section of Combined Implement Shed, Garage and Shop Illustrated on Opposite Page.

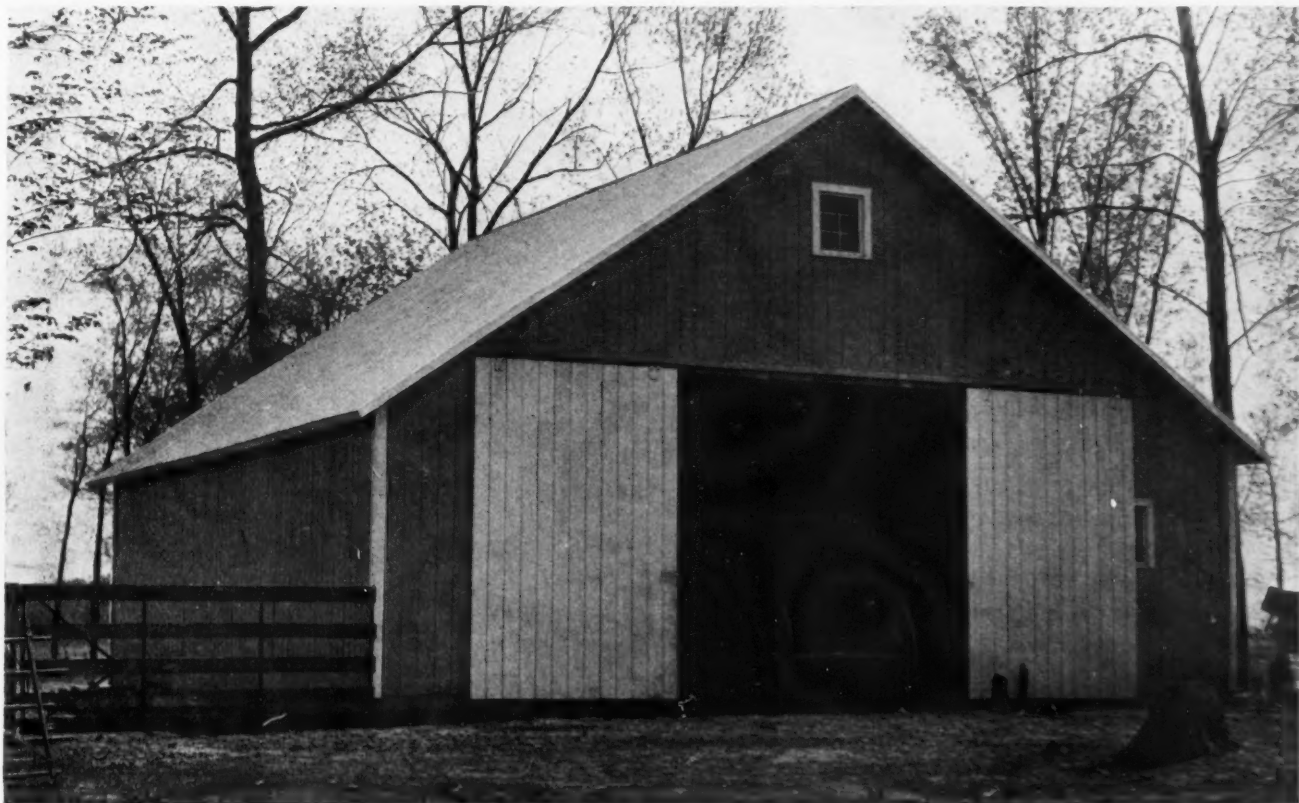
There are too many farmers who are just shiftless enough to put a thousand dollars, more or less, into a farm tractor and then let it stand out in all kinds of weather.

Such waste is a crime, and builders and dealers will not be doing their patriotic duty this year if they permit it to continue. A new shed doesn't cost much and is easily built. Get out and sell and erect implement sheds, and so help Uncle Sam.

Garage, Tractor and Carriage Shed
THE time has come when a fairly sizable garage building is needed on a great many farms. Frequently two or three autos have to be put under cover, and then there is the tractor to be housed. There is always a feeling of extra fire risk about gasoline powered machines, which makes the farmer choose to put up a new building somewhat separated from the barns, rather than to use some part of the buildings he already has.



CROSS SECTION OF 28x30 MACHINE SHED



Inexpensive Implement or Carriage Shed, Size 28 by 30 Feet. It Should Have a Well Drained, Hard Packed Earth or Gravel Floor, and be Built Weather-Tight All Around.

Blue Prints of Roof Window Winter Hog House

"RAISE more pork," the Food Administration says; and the American farmers are responding valiently by putting their hog-raising quarters into first-class shape for doubling up their production without hiring an extra man.

Most important is to have a winter pen house where the first litters can be safely farrowed in February and early March; and then repeat in the fall.

The design illustrated below and in the complete set of blueprinted plans presented herewith is the special AMERICAN BUILDER type of modified saw-tooth as designed for roof windows. These are placed in such a way that the direct rays of the sun shine directly into the nests at farrowing time.

There are several different makes of these special roof windows—all constructed on much the same principle. They have galvanized sheet iron frames which carry their own flashing, and so can be easily set in place on the roof and made

water tight.

For the sake of sanitation, saving of feed, and the lessening of labor the pen floors and also the outside run yard are constructed of concrete.

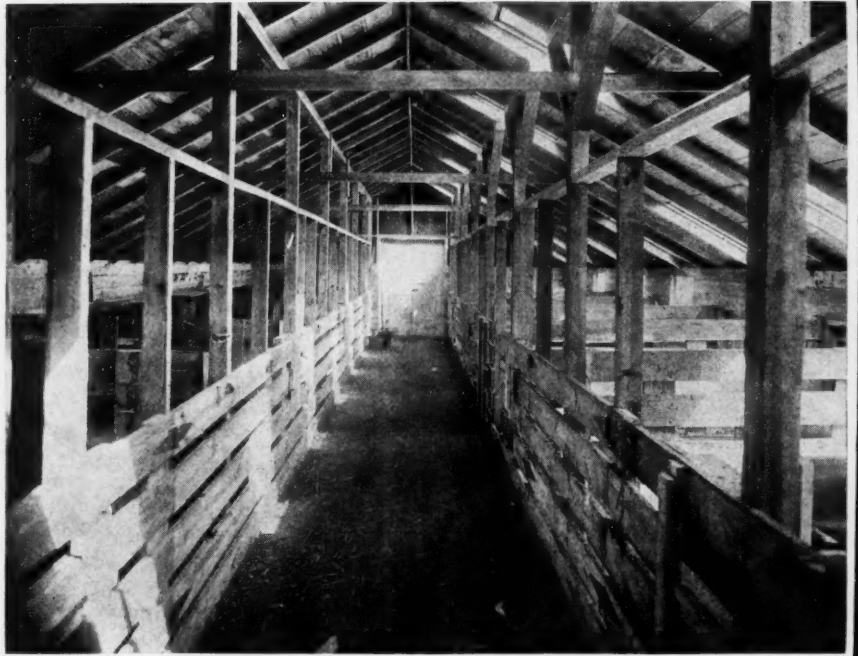
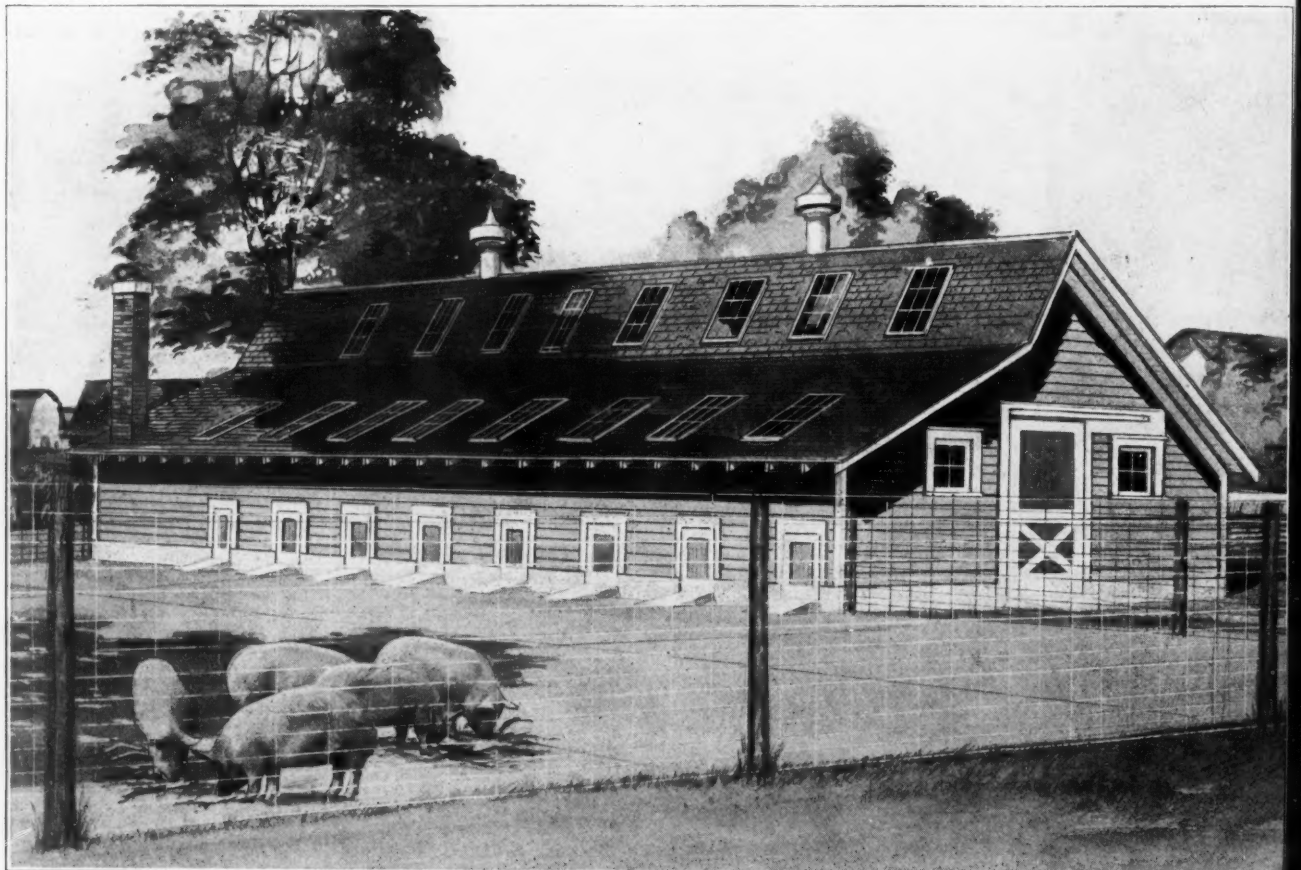


Photo Taken Inside a Hog House Lighted Thru Roof Windows Which Shows Clearly the Direct Sunshine Falling Into the Pens on Both Sides of the Feed Alley.



Photographic Perspective of Modern Efficient Community Hog House Where Two Litters a Year Are Raised. Note Arrangement Roof Windows. Complete Working Plans of This Essential Farm Building Are Presented in the Blueprints Following.

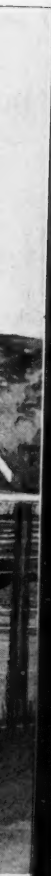
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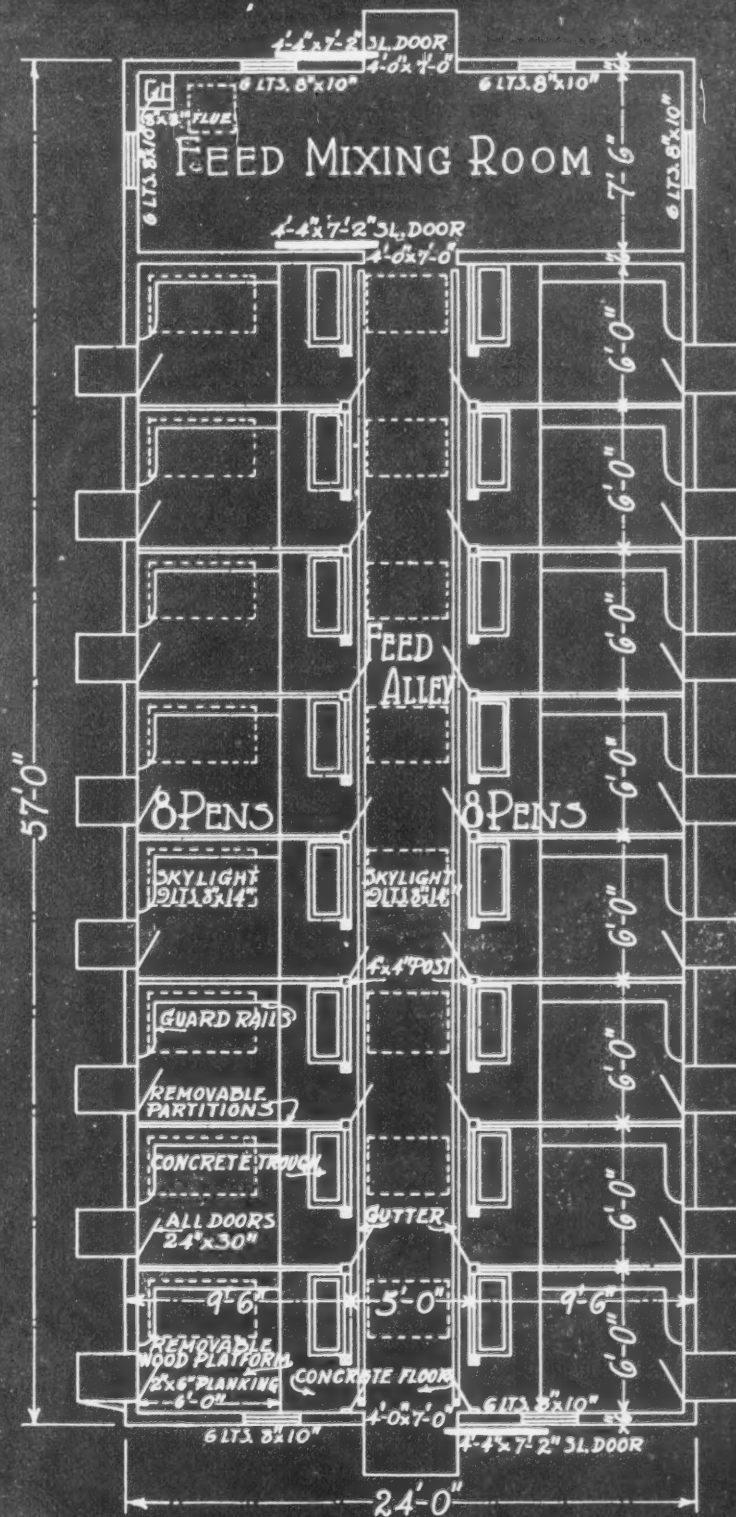
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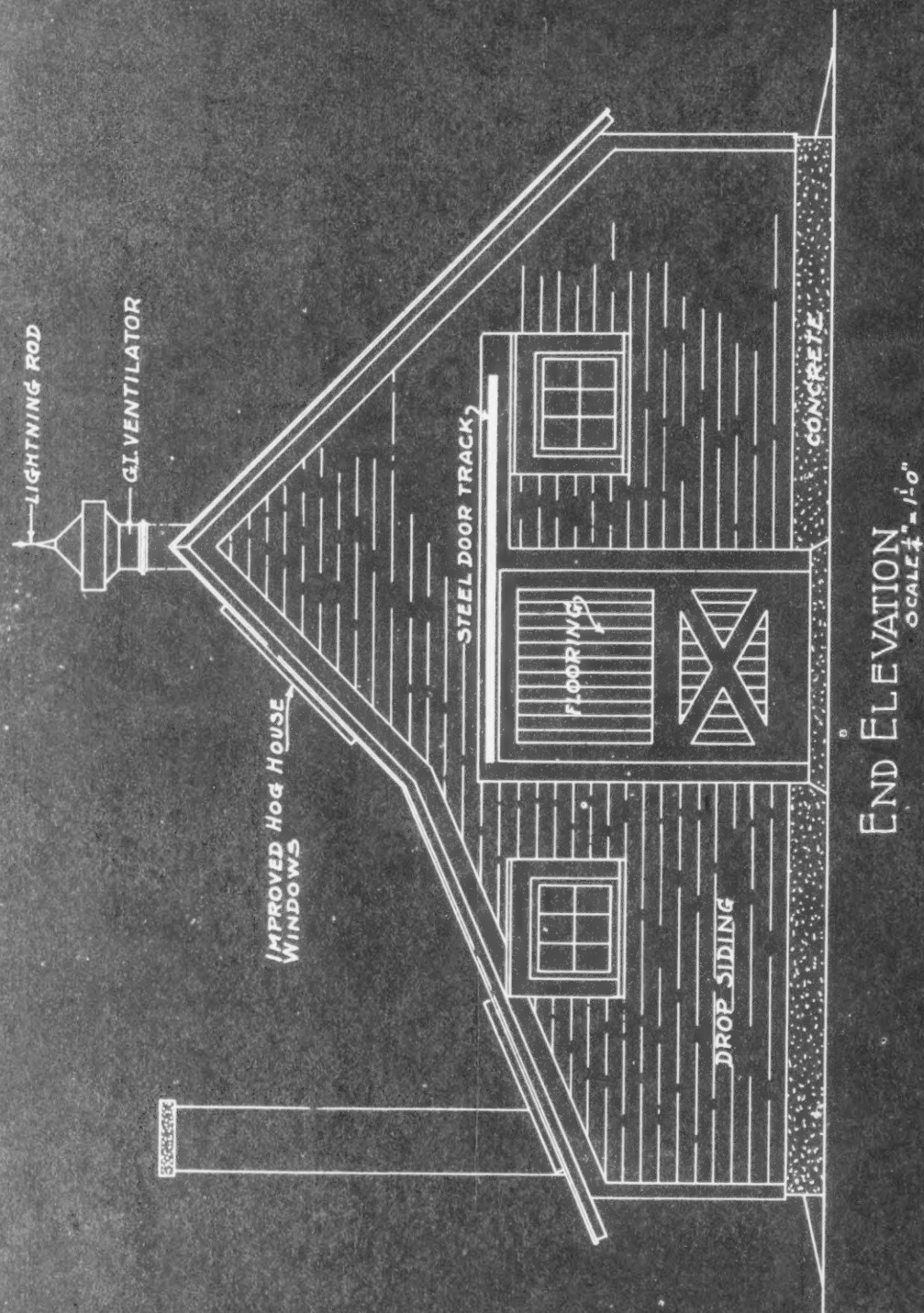
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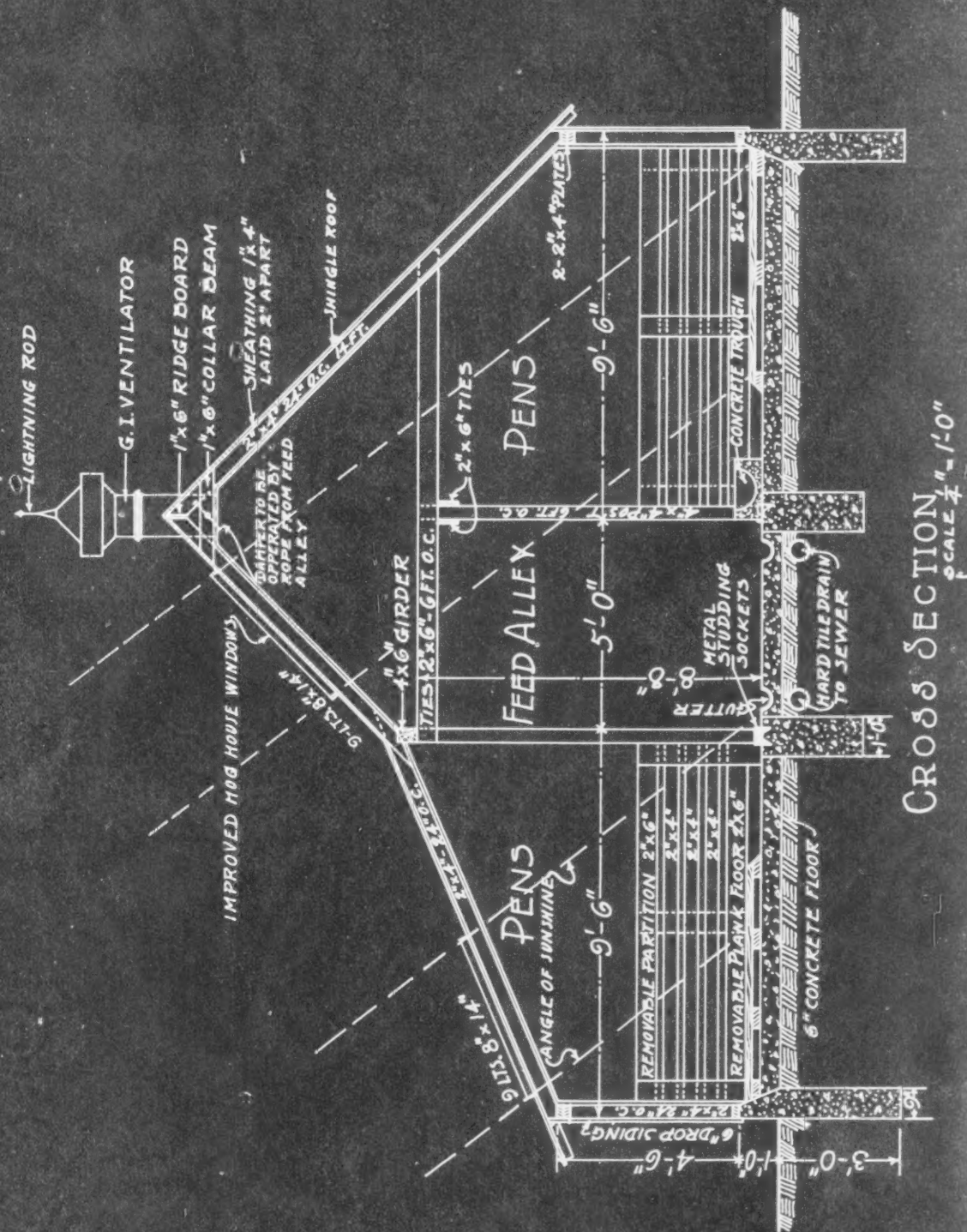
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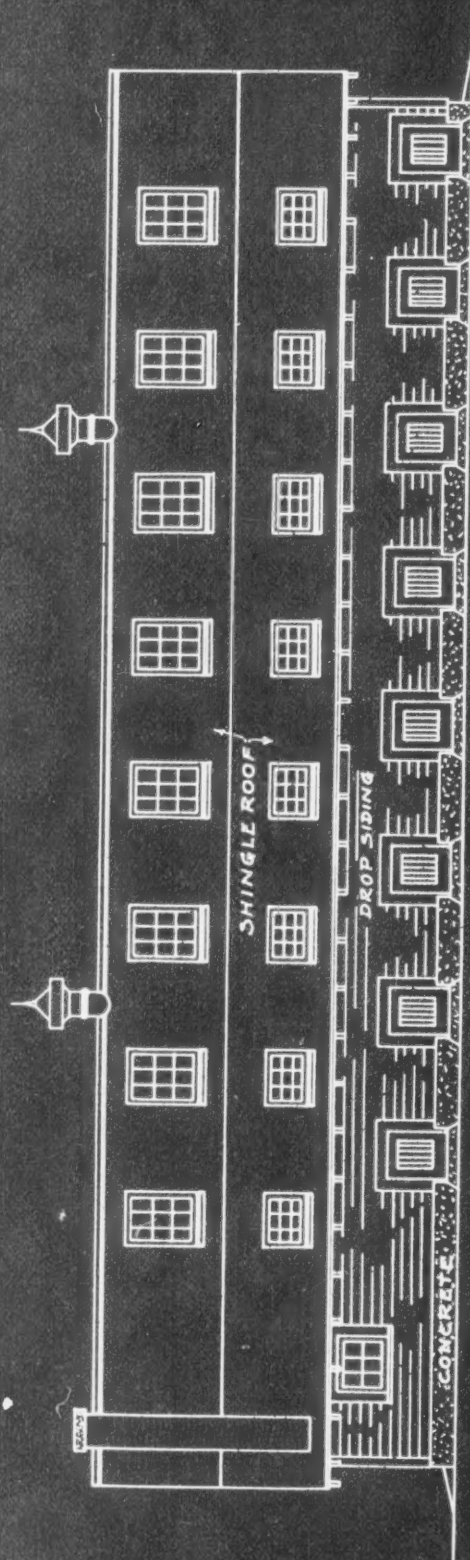
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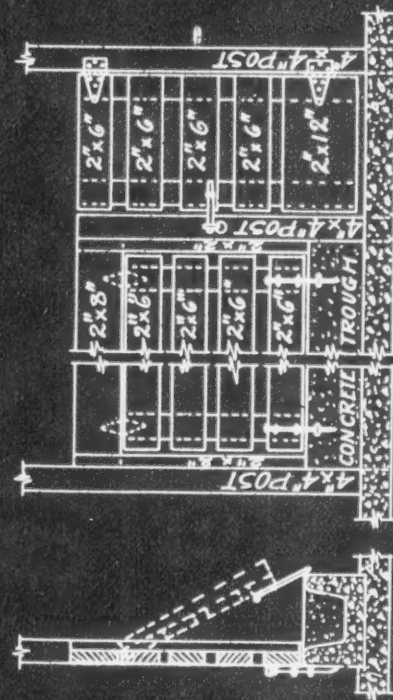
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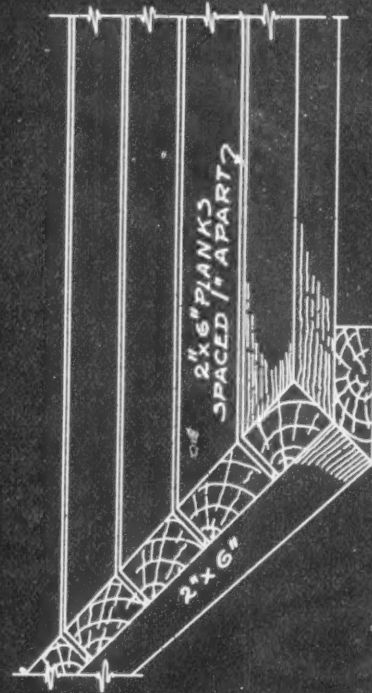
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SIDE ELEVATION
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DETAIL OF FEEDING TROUGH & GATE
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REMOVABLE PLANK FLOOR



ELEVATION & DETAILS OF MODERN HOG HOUSE

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Questions Answered and Ideas Exchanged.

Our Readers are Requested and Urged to Make Free Use of These Columns for the Discussion of all Questions of Interest to Carpenters and Builders

Pre-Cost Permanent Homes for Alpha Workmen

To the Editor:

Easton, Pa.

Here is a photograph that may be of interest. This is one of the new workmen's homes that we are building at two of our plants—Manheim, W. Va., and Cementon, N. Y.

This is not a beam-and-plaster house, as its appearance might indicate. The exposed beams are solid concrete and serve to hold together the pre-cast panels. The house was built according to the "Simpson-Craft" system, which permits the construction of reinforced concrete practically without forms, the greater portion of the work being pre-cast of minimum sections, made with the idea of using common labor in erection. In some types of buildings, erected by this system, no plaster or stucco is used, tho the appearance of the exterior can be varied by the use of large plane surfaces stuccoed. For the miscellaneous small houses, outside of the dwelling houses, no plaster is used for the exterior, but for dwellings it has been found that the continuous air spaces within the outside walls of the building, together with the introduction of heavy waterproofed felt helps to make the building dry and warm in winter and cool in summer.

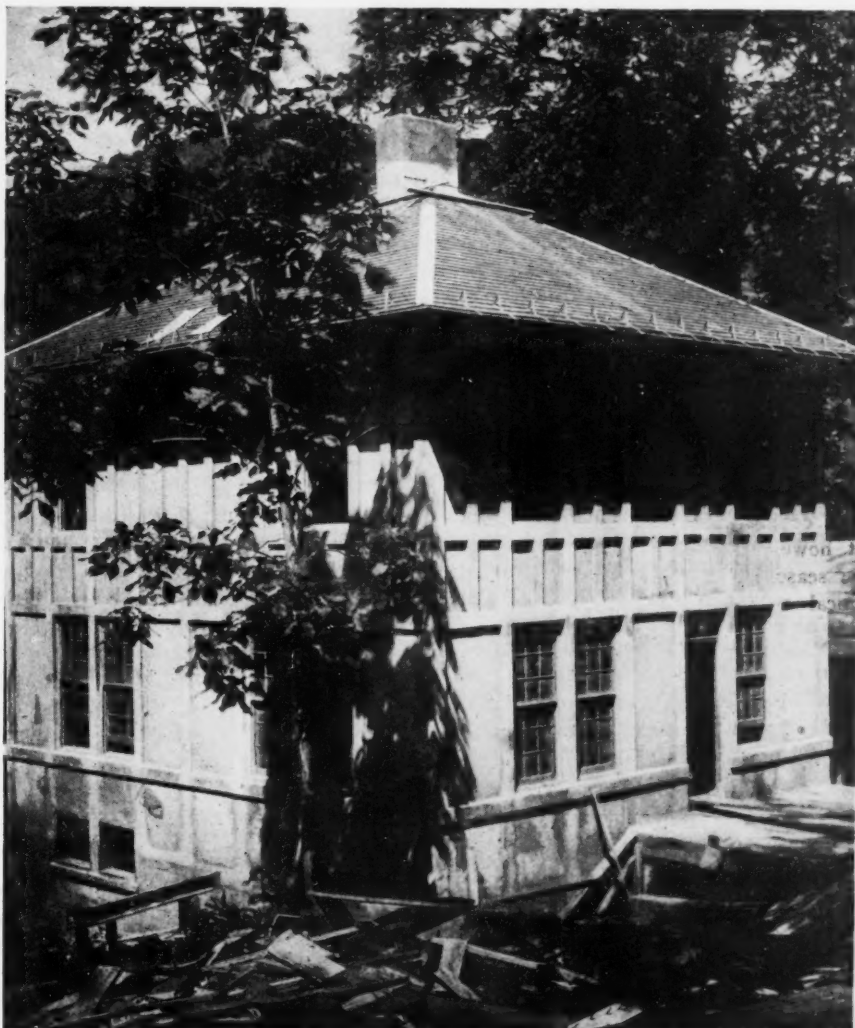
The construction consists of wall and floor slabs, together with belt and sill courses, floor beams and roof rafters made of standard sections and sizes for individual pieces. They may be assembled in any combination desired, so that while each building is made up of standard units, the general design may be varied, making it possible to produce a large number of buildings, using the standard units, but varying the exterior treatment.

The pre-cast sections of the buildings are made on casting tables or in moulds. This may be done either at the building site or in the yard or shop, and shipped to the site. If they are shipped, the sections may be packed in fine broken stone, sand or gravel, and the latter may be used at the site as an aggregate forming the studs; which are field-cast and form the binding element for the buildings. All of the pre-cast members entering into the construction are so designed that the metal with which they are rein-

forced projects beyond the end or edge of the pieces. In assembling the pre-cast sections in the buildings, they are spaced at intervals on the walls, leaving a space between the two sides of sections, and are then clamped together temporarily by means of channel shaped wood or metal forms covering the two open sides of the intervening spaces and forming a pocket into which reinforced bars are placed. The inside face of these pockets has a series of holes spaced about 7 inches on centers, into which are placed large wire hairpins. The pockets formed by the forms are filled with concrete, forming the studs of the building and binding all parts together

S. ROLAND HALL,

Advertising Manager Alpha Portland Cement Co.



Precast Concrete Dwelling Used in the Alpha Industrial Villages at Manheim, W. Va., and Cementon, N. Y.

Hydrated Lime in Concrete Roads

To the Editor:

Pittsburgh, Pa.

The attached bulletin entitled "Hydrated Lime in Concrete Roads" gives the results of the first test that has been conducted to show the effect of hydrated lime in concrete when placed under actual field conditions.

The effect of the hydrated lime seems rather remarkable, but when one considers the detrimental effect that excessive quantities of water have on the ultimate strength of concrete and that any decrease of excess water manifests itself by an increase in strength, the results are quite logical.

The progressive increases in strength can undoubtedly be assigned to two reasons:

First, as the hydrated lime was increased, the flowability and workability of the mixture was improved to such an extent as to permit it being placed with a lesser quality of mixing water than that required for the concrete without lime.

Second, hydrated lime is of an hygroscopic nature and ab-

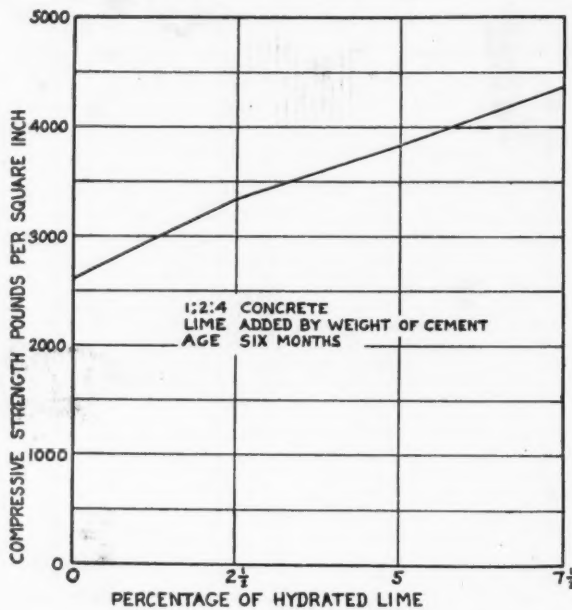


Diagram Showing the Effect of Hydrated Lime on the Strength of Concrete Specimens Stored Under Actual Working Conditions. The Percentages of Hydrated Lime Shown Were by Weight of the Cement Content, the 7 1/2 Per Cent Being Equivalent to 7 1/2 Pounds of Hydrated Lime Added for Each Bag of Cement. From Field Tests Made by the State Highway Department of Delaware.

sorbs water at the time of mixing. This water is held mechanically by the lime, but it cannot be utilized in any chemical combination while the lime is hardening. The cement, however, has a chemical attraction for moisture during the seasoning period which is much stronger than the mechanical attraction of lime. The moisture is therefore drawn from the lime and utilized by the cement in the process of more nearly complete hydration, thus resulting in increased strength.

With these two statements the increases in strength shown are explained. The Highway Department of Delaware are large users of hydrated lime in concrete, hence the reason for conducting the investigation.

Other facts relating to the field test are embodied in the booklet, and we are confident that with the steadily increasing interest being shown in the subject, the engineering profession, together with all others interested in concrete construction, will be only too glad to see the matter covered in your columns if you can see your way clear to do so.

Your particular attention is called to the statement from the Spackman Laboratories where the specimens were broken, that failure of the coarse aggregate occurred in every case.

As mentioned above, this is the first test published on this subject which indicates the performance of hydrated lime in field practice, and this makes the information so much more valuable. It has been the contention of those who have closely studied this subject that the true value of hydrated lime in concrete is not so pronounced in laboratory work, the reason for which is fully covered on the last page of this pamphlet, but, in field practice, the conditions being vastly different than in the laboratory, the possibility for improvement is much greater, and a material having the properties of hydrated lime has a much greater opportunity to do its work.

NORMAN G. HOUGH,

Director, Construction Bureau, The Lime Association.



Concrete Ship "Faith" Performing Well

To the Editor:

Chicago.

The reinforced concrete cargo steamship "Faith" which left a California port some weeks ago for a west coast South American port was, a few days ago, reported as having arrived safely and in first-class condition. The "Faith" is discharging her cargo of lumber and is expected to reload for an Atlantic port, which she will reach via the Panama Canal.

H. COLIN CAMPBELL,

Director, Editorial Bureau, Portland Cement Assn.



Fears to Miss Some Good Ad

To the Editor:

Byron, Illinois.

I find your AMERICAN BUILDER a great help in a great many ways, especially the new feature, namely, the blue prints.

As to the matter of placing the blue prints in loose leaf form so they could be bound separate if desired, it would not be a bad idea; but as to my own ideas they suit first rate as they are.

As to the advertising being placed separate from the reading matter, I very much object to it, preferring the arrangement you now use, as I believe where a paper is gotten up as yours is not only are you able to dispose of the space more readily, but the readers are not so liable to miss some good ad.

I am pretty well satisfied to leave the matter of getting up the AMERICAN BUILDER to you, as that part of the business is out of my line.

FRED HALL,

Carpenter and Builder.



Opitz Builds Another Gothic Barn

To the Editor:

Paynesville, Minn.

Enclosed find snapshots of frame-work of a barn built practically the same as the one I described in the April issue. This barn is designed for those who want genuine strength. When the hay loft in a roof of this style is compared with the loft in the average gambrel roof, I cannot see why some still build the gambrel. Buildings of beauty and distinction set off a farmstead and give the builder a reputation. This style of Gothic combines beauty, strength and distinction.

E. G. OPITZ.



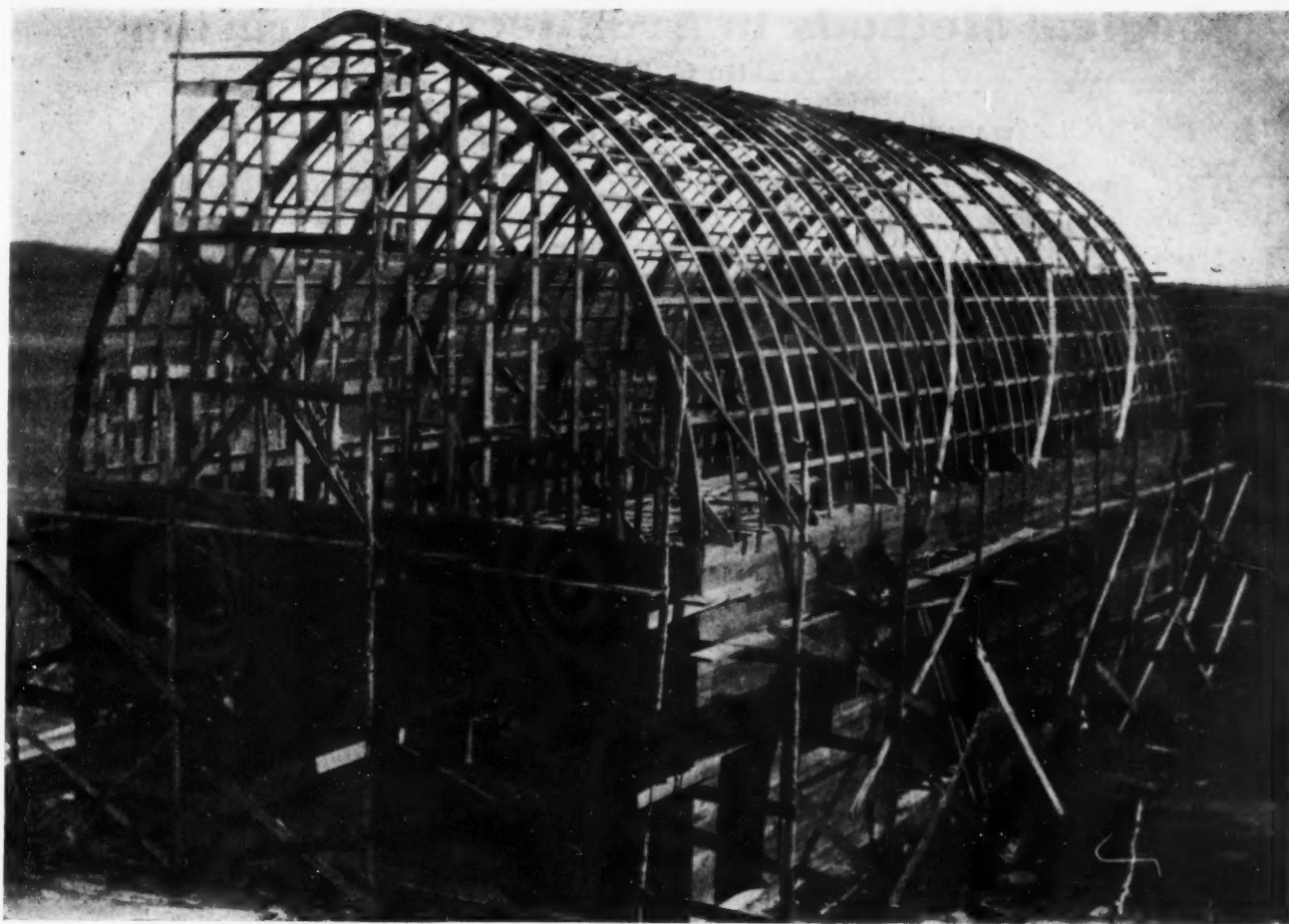
Comments on the September Blue Prints

To the Editor:

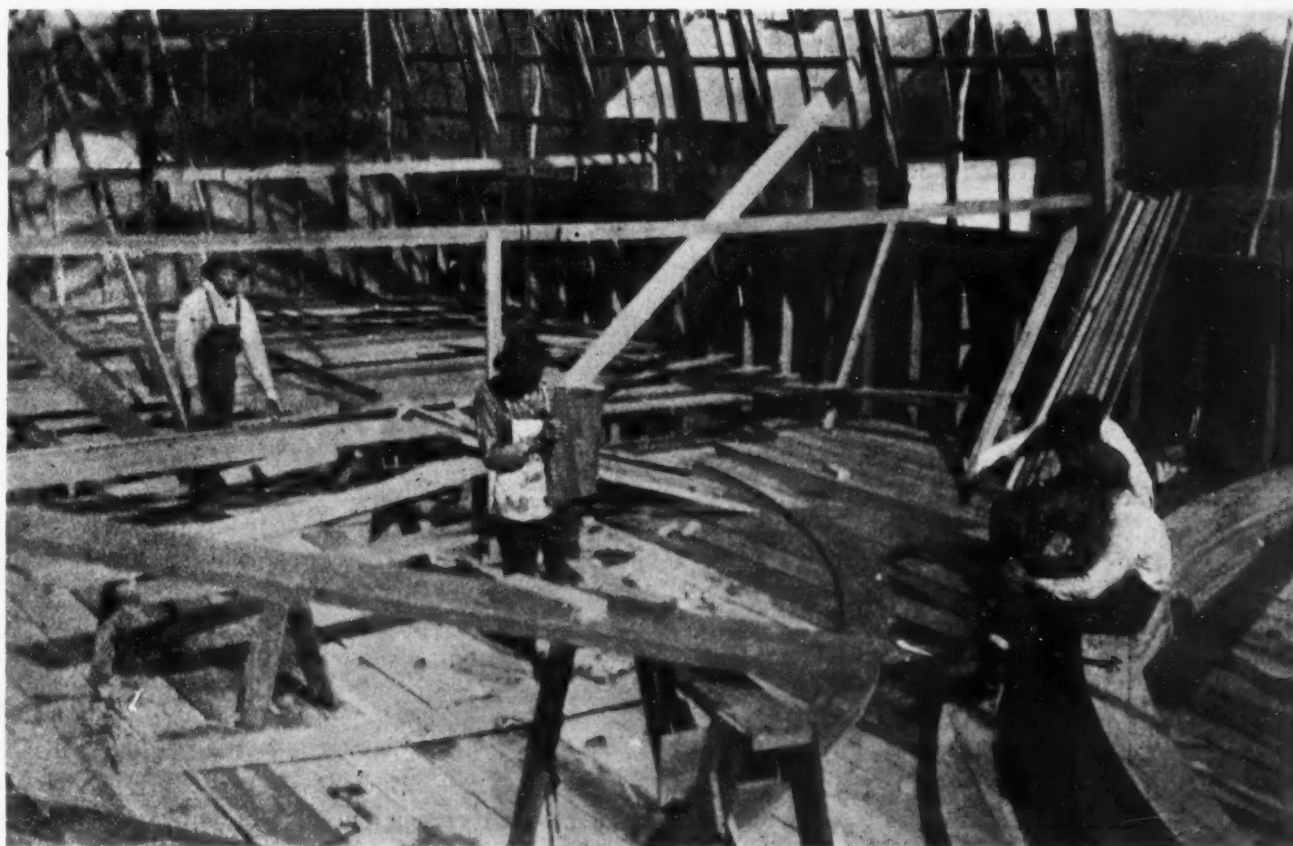
LaFargeville, N. Y.

The plan shown on the blue print for September could be built of logs if desired and the stairs could be arranged so that the kitchen could be brought in even with the dining room to make the rear end straight. Of course, the upper story might be left off in a bungalow, but I am wondering just what per cent it would save in any of the four styles

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Good Looking Gothic Roof Frame Put up by Barn Builder E. G. Oplitz, Paynesville, Minn.



Snapshot Showing the Men at Work Building up the Big Curved Rafters for the Gothic Barn.

Logical Methods in Architectural Drafting

By Franklin G. Elwood, B. Ar.

Assistant Professor in Architecture, Bradley Polytechnic Institute

PART V.—Development of the Perspective

FIFTH of the logical steps in the development of the drawing for any building is the mechanical perspective which ordinarily depends for its development upon the working plans and elevations. However, if preliminary or exhibition drawings have been made the perspective may be worked up from these.

A correctly developed mechanical perspective gives an accurate picture of the building, as it will look from one point of view, when completed. It is for this reason that the perspective proves especially valuable to the owner or client, who cannot readily visualize the completed structure by means of only the working drawings.

Preliminary competition drawings stand a far greater chance of being selected when accompanied by a well-rendered perspective than a similar set without one.

The phenomenon upon which perspective is based is so familiar that it is not necessary to go into a detailed explanation. Briefly, the science of perspective is based on the fact that objects appear to grow smaller as they recede from the eye.

There are two kinds of perspective, namely, angular, and parallel or "one-point perspective. Ordinarily when viewing a building we see it in angular perspective; that is, more than one side is visible. When only the front or the side is seen it is in parallel perspective.

Perspective is worked on planes of projection in a similar manner to orthographic projection or mechanical drawing. Comparing the elevation and the perspective of an object, as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, we can readily see the relation as well as the difference between the two. We may consider the picture plane, which corresponds to the vertical plane in orthographic to be a transparent plane of glass; then lines which represent rays of light connect points of the object with the eye and intersect the glass at points. These if joined would give an exact representation of the object.

The plane of the horizon (Fig. 2) is always located at the height of the observer's eye and corresponds to the horizontal plane in Mechanical Drawing. A third upon which the object rests is called the ground plane.

Considering these planes as being revolved into the plane of the paper, the vertical plane is then shown by a line H. P. P. (Horizontal Picture Plane) or its trace on the plane of the horizon. The plane of the horizon is indicated by V. H. or its trace on the vertical plane. The plane of the ground is V. G., Fig. 3.

After having carefully considered these funda-

mental principles, proceed to develop the perspective of the house as follows: First, secure a large-sized sheet of paper and a long straightedge. Take either the first floor plan or a tracing of the two outside walls of the front and side which you wish to place in perspective. All that is necessary is the width and position of the openings, porches and projections.

Pin this tracing or plan near the upper edge of the sheet and with the sides making angles of approximately 45° to the horizontal. If it is desired to show more of the front the angle may be changed.

Locate and draw H. P. P. so that it will pass thru the near corner of the plan. Then locate V. G. four or five inches up from the bottom of the sheet. Place V. H. for the ordinary perspective 6' 0" at the 1/4" scale above V. G. If a bird's-eye view is desired, place it about 20' or 30' above. If, on the other hand, a worm's eye view is preferred, place it 6' or 8' below V. G.

Locate the observer's eye or S. P. as far from the picture plane as possible or near the bottom edge of the drawing board. Locating it too close to the picture plane or H. P. P. will give a distorted view.

To obtain the vanishing points draw lines from S. P. parallel to the sides of the house, and where they intersect H. P. P. drop perpendicular lines to V. H., locating V. P.¹ and V. P.² (Fig. 3).

Next determine the height of the near corner of the house, this height to be taken from the ground to the underside of the cornice. Now, since this corner lies in the picture plane it is seen in its own true height. Hence the perpendicular line from A to V. G. is called the measure line. Then a-b the height of the house may be laid off or projected on it.

From the top and bottom of a-b draw converging lines to V. H.¹ and V. H.².

To obtain the outside corners B and C in perspective, draw lines converging to S. P., and where these lines intersect H. P. P. drop perpendicular lines locating the corners (Fig. 3).

Now, having the perspective developed to the stage shown in Fig. 3, with the body of the house and porches indicated by rectangular blocks, proceed with a further step, as illustrated in Fig. 4. Here the roof lines are shown. In order to obtain these it is necessary to draw on the first floor plan, the plan of the roof, showing the projection of the cornice, the ridge and hip lines and the location of the dormers.

The height of the cornice must be taken on a separate measure line, which is determined by the intersection of the cornice line in plan and H. P. P. and is a perpendicular dropped from this intersection to

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DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERSPECTIVE

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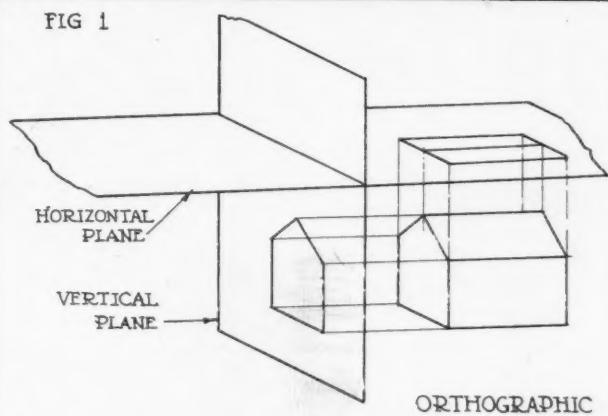


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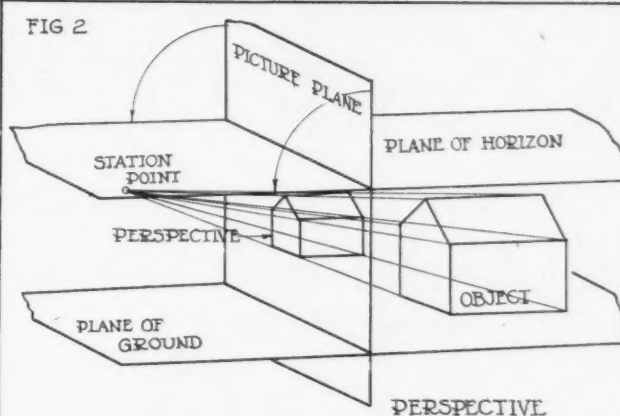


FIG 3

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

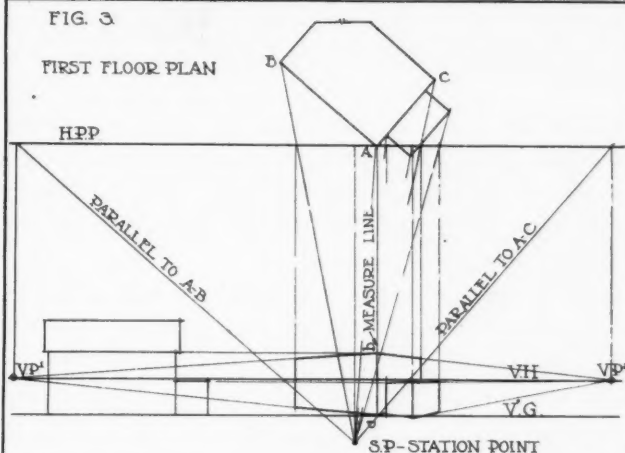


FIG 4

LINES OF ROOF

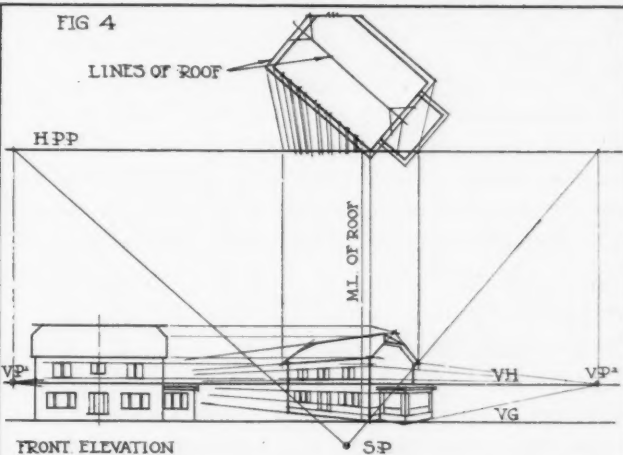


FIG 5

FLOOR PLAN REVOLVED
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PART I. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

By Harrold L. Alt, Engineer

THE modern builder often has a difficult matter on his hands when it comes to the question of taking care of the sewage from houses erected in undeveloped territory in a manner which will be safe, sanitary and at the same time inexpensive. The American public of today have to a large extent become awakened to the fact that the common cesspool is not only undesirable, but that it is a positive menace.

Every builder is familiar with what is commonly termed the "leaching cesspool" which is illustrated in Fig. 1. This cesspool is generally constructed below the grade line G and is built with open joints between the stones. This results in the sewage which comes in thru the sewer S gradually soaking, or leaching, out of the pool into the surrounding soil E and thru the broken stone B which forms the bottom of the pool. This pool is a dangerous affair to have around one's home and has been used in the past largely on account of lack of knowledge both as to its dangers and of a better substitute.

The water passing thru such a cesspool becomes a source of contamination liable to poison nearby wells and to cause epidemics; in fact, in some of the modern cities the use of the "leaching cesspool" is for-

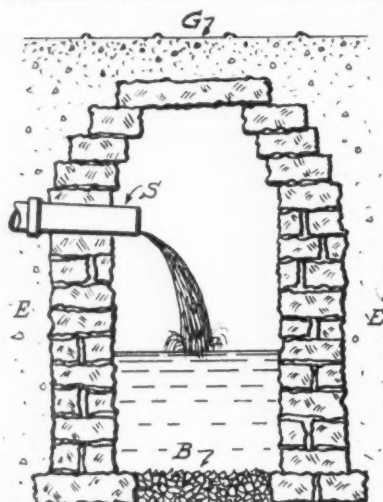


Fig. 1. Leaching Cesspool.

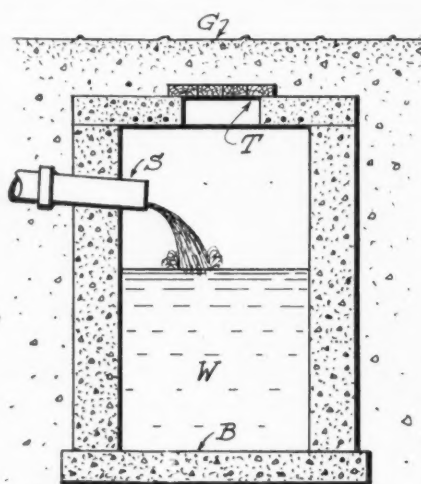


Fig. 2. Tight Cesspool.

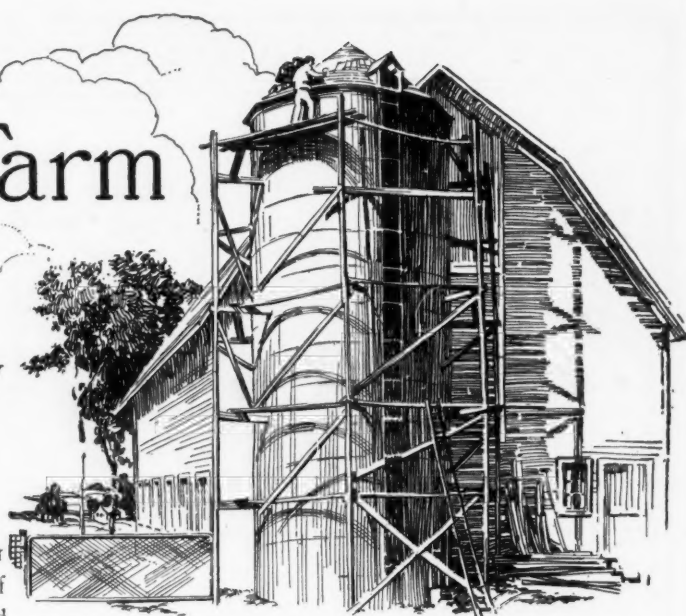
bidden by law. All cesspools are required in such localities to be what are known as "tight cesspools" similar to that illustrated in Fig. 2. This pool is also set below the grade G, the walls being built of concrete with a reinforced concrete top and a plain concrete slab, B, for the bottom. A manhole is left in the top, this being covered by the boards T, and the sewer S is brought in thru the side, the sewage spilling into the contents of the tank W and being permanently retained in this receptacle.

With the "leaching cesspool" first described, the water or liquid part of the sewage is to a great extent absorbed by the soil, while the solid contents gradually accumulate in the bottom, requiring cleaning only after certain rather long intervals.

With the "tight cesspool," shown in Fig. No. 2, none of the liquid is presumed to escape and such cesspools, therefore, fill up and require emptying much more quickly owing to the proportion of water being very great in the common sewage received by a pool. The objections to the "tight cesspool" are so great that many builders have been compelled to build them as shown, have them inspected and passed by the local authorities and then knock a hole in them to allow the liquid to gradually drain away, in this way avoiding over-frequent cleanings which would otherwise be required.

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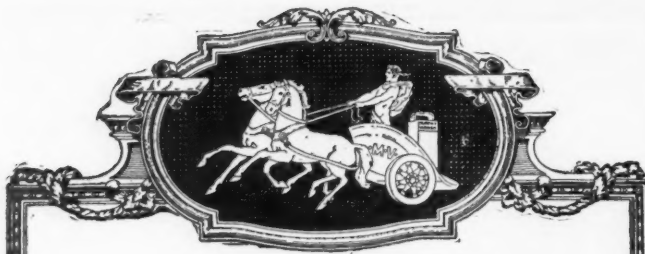
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shown or what per cent it adds to the cost of the first floor to get these two bed rooms and space for the bath room. Of course there is the flooring, which would be one of the largest items, unless it was the extra height of the side walls; but the same roof, except the dormers, would cover it and the same foundation would be used and as these are about the most expensive parts of a house I will venture a guess that the second floor adds 25 per cent to the cost.

Perhaps others will say differently and someone may figure it out, but I should judge it added something like three times as much value as its cost. I have an idea that one could improve on this house at a slight additional expense. As two bedrooms are well worth much more than they cost, two more might also be a good investment for some more money, as there is ample width, provided the side walls were made a few feet higher. The front rooms could be made two feet wider, that is, make the house two feet longer and then not need long joists or the front bedroom need not be divided. It would make a fine large room if left full size. There are partitions on the first floor at the back to help support the upper partition. I know from experience that it is somewhat dangerous to tamper with a house plan and when once a man begins there is no telling where it will end, but if one resolves to remain on the same foundation and not molest the first floor he can add to the height and put in a partition or two, provided he plans to hold them up and still live thru it.

The plan shown on the second blue print is certainly some barn, both for looks and utility and if anyone wants a little more either at the time of building it or some years later it is a simple matter to extend either end according as to whether room is needed for more cows or young stock, as the silos are so placed that they are not in the way. Another wing could be put on the other side for young stock when needed. If conditions seemed to indicate that the barn should be enlarged it might be well to make one of the silos larger, especially the one on the side opposite the horse stable.

JOHN UPTON.



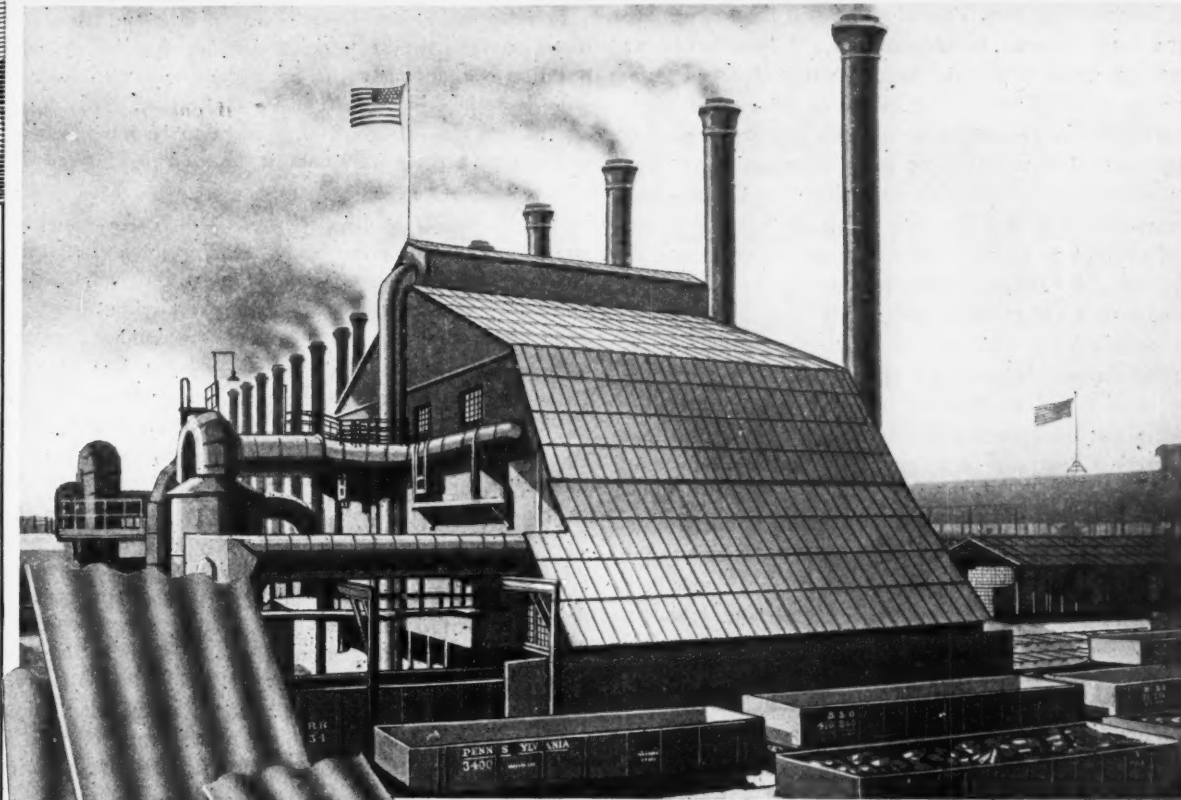
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To the Editor: 354 Hunter Street, Ossining, N. Y.

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contained. Thru unfortunate circumstances, I am an inmate confined here in Sing Sing Prison, and I still have two more years and some months to remain here. I have made, as others are apt to do, a mistake toward better objects in life. None of us is infallible. The inevitable sometimes takes place unexpectedly. I am employed here at my occupation as a carpenter. I have extracted many clippings from your journal and used some ideas to good effect and advantage. The greatest misfortune that now confronts me is that I have lost out and have no further way to get any more of your journals. I have no means to subscribe, or any such prospects, until I am released, but assure you that it is my greatest ambition to subscribe when the opportunity presents itself. In one old number I saw a letter from a brother carpenter who stated that he had a lot of back numbers he would be pleased to send to anyone who desired them, but unfortunately I lost that clipping. If I am not imposing upon your good nature, would you mind inserting this letter in one of your future editions? It may appeal to some kind-hearted brother to assist one who is pulling hard against the stream. It would be very much appreciated. I am here without kin or friends. The only and best friend I had in life was my mother, and she died June 6 last. You can no doubt realize what this means to me. I hope and trust that you will receive this letter in the spirit that it is written in and favor me in this request. You will never regret it.

Wishing you all the success you and your journal deserve,
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ANDY KRAMER.

Simpler Way to Lay Out Gothic Hip Curve

To the Editor:

LaFargeville, N. Y.

In reply to Erwin J. Dye, who asks about those French doors in the August issue, I did not stop to consider the question of hanging them, but if one will turn back to the June issue he will see that D. A. Haff asked for a design for four doors and told how they were to be hung, and I suggested that, as they were narrow, he used two instead of four.

It is a poor rule which doesn't work both ways and having received a little friendly criticism, I will return it and try and show that the rule given by K. A. Westholm, for getting the curve of the Gothic roof is good enough to work both ways and that he used more paper than really necessary to get results. Turn to the drawing in the September issue.

Draw the outlines of the common rafter and two lines to represent the rise and run, both continued beyond the ends of the outline. When you get the length of the line A—C, which you can do by placing a 45-degree triangle on the drawing so its base is on line A—B with point at B and with dividers or compass to get the distance on the slanting side from B to the vertical line representing the rise, mark this distance on the line A—B continued beyond B. In other words, swing the slant line A—C up to the right hand side of the drawing instead of the left. Then draw several lines parallel to this one, beginning at the vertical line and on each one mark the distance represented by the 45-degree line when the base of the triangle is on that particular line. That is, do just as you did to get line A—C, or to tell it in a few words, imagine the drawing folded on the line I—A so the

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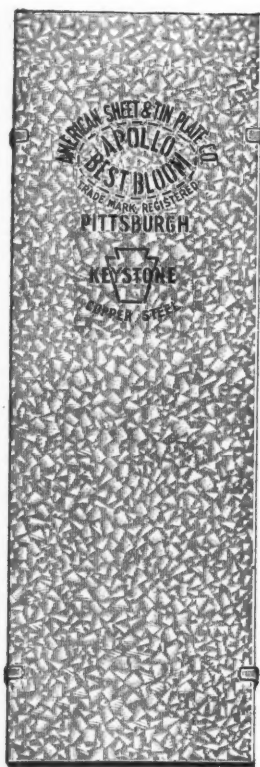
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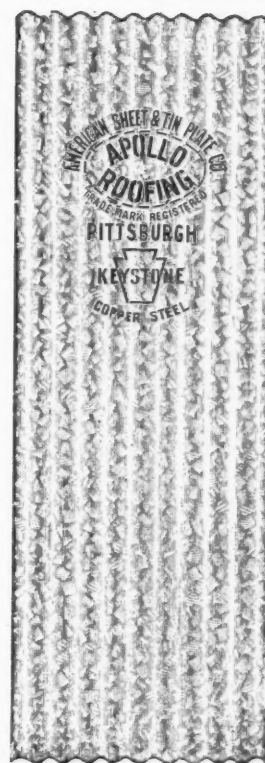


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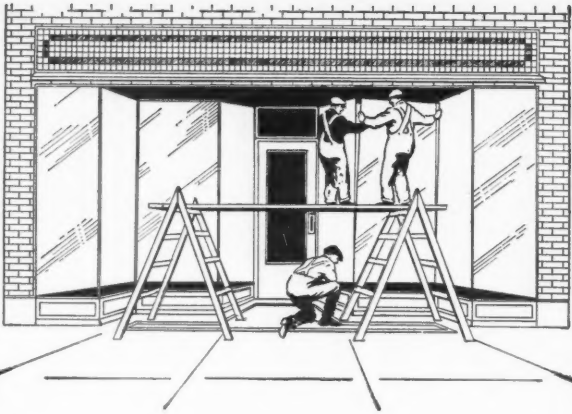
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horizontal lines agree and then it is clear that there is no need for the lower part.

As to the charcoal burning plant wanted by J. A. Bodden, my idea would be a hole or pit dug in a side hill, then pile the wood by standing it on end and cover with earth, except on the lower side and top, so as to get a draft. After it is burning well, cover the opening with earth and let it smoulder. I have never made charcoal, but have been informed by older men, who seemed to know. One could try this on a small scale.

For those worms in oak about which W. E. Ware asks, try a strong brine as a simple remedy.

J. A. Borgle asks for log bungalow designs. I think that some of the more simple plans of the industrial houses or some of those in the recent issues would be adapted to log construction. It might be well to make them somewhat smaller than shown.

JOHN UPTON.



Invents a Take-Down Square

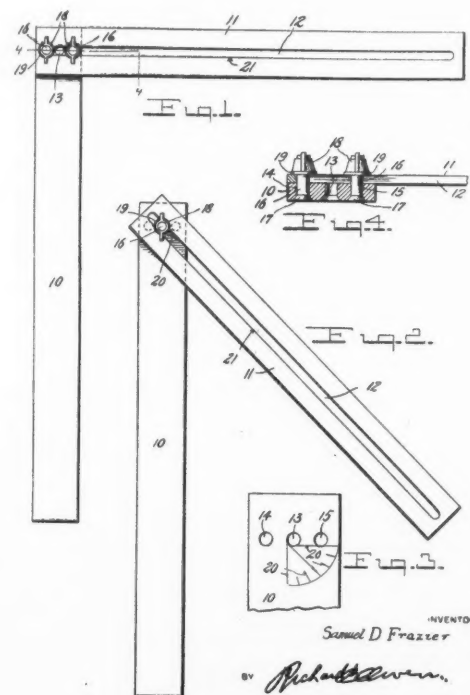
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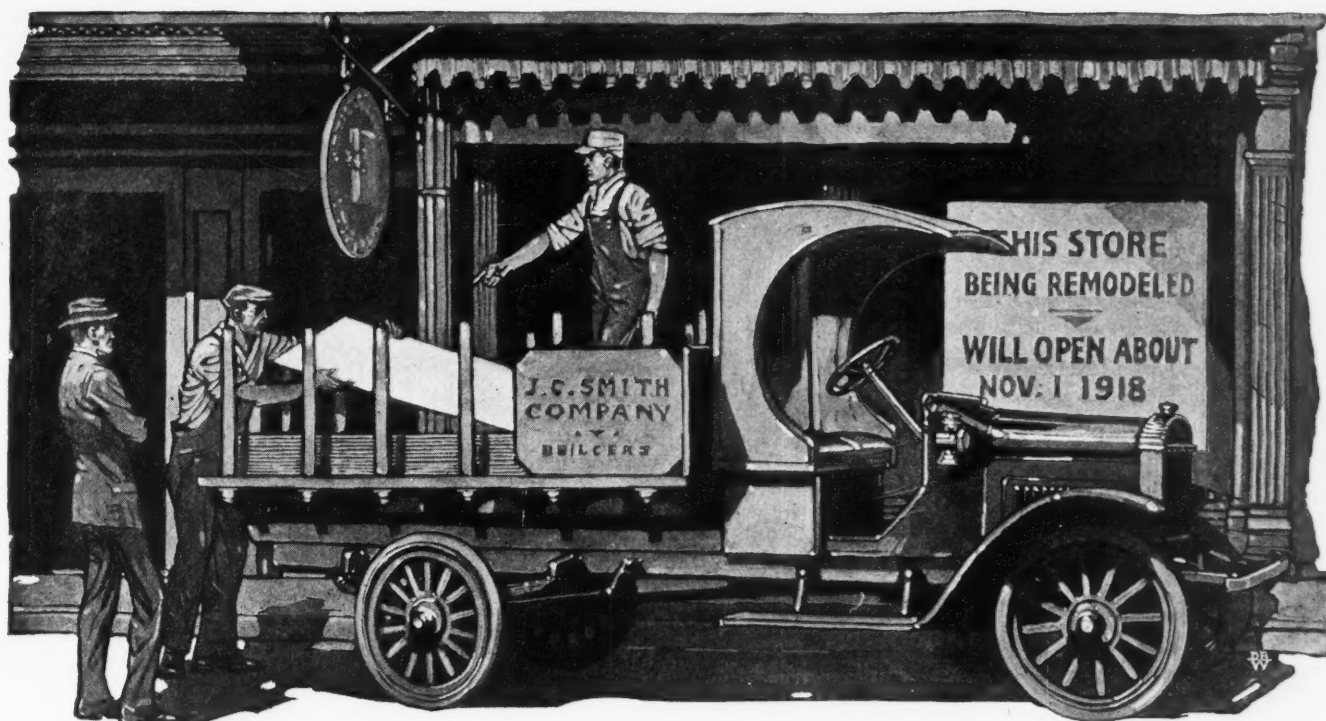
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To the Editor:

Karnak, N. D.

I have been a silent reader of the AMERICAN BUILDER for about eight years. I receive a great deal of information by reading its pages, especially the Correspondence Department.

I have a friend that wants a sanitary grocery counter made. Will you please tell me thru the correspondence columns how they are made? Perhaps some of the brother readers have plans and will answer.

H. G. RISING.



Advertising as a Banker Sees It

To the Editor:

Edina, Missouri.

In the current issue of the BUILDER you seem to take issue with the reader who desires the "reading" pages free of advertising matter, for my part I cannot see the benefit of having the advertisements sandwiched thru the reading matter unless it should be the cover pages where it would first catch the eye.

I was a reader of *The Iron Age* for several years, the leading publication in the hardware and iron trades at the time, and the advertising matter was classified; which made

it simple to look up anything that you might be interested in, and the make-up of the paper was pleasing to the eye; in fact, I believe that "Printer's Ink" awarded them the prize for the best and neatest publication in America for a year or two.

That is my idea of a neat publication, classified advertising and clean-cut reading matter; and the fellow who wants to throw away the advertising pages let him do so, and the fellow who is interested in some particular branch of the trades if he wishes can file what he desires for future use.

As for the advertising pages, they carry a message that is vital to the working contractor concerning material, machines and appliances pertaining to his line, and incidentally give the casual reader a magazine that is instructive from cover to cover.

In the advertisement of Lansing Company on page 133 is some short and pithy expressions as to the merits of the machine shown; they are gathered from a large territory and perhaps the views of the writers are correct as far as their knowledge goes, but it is possible that it is limited to this one machine and has no value comparatively where others are concerned.

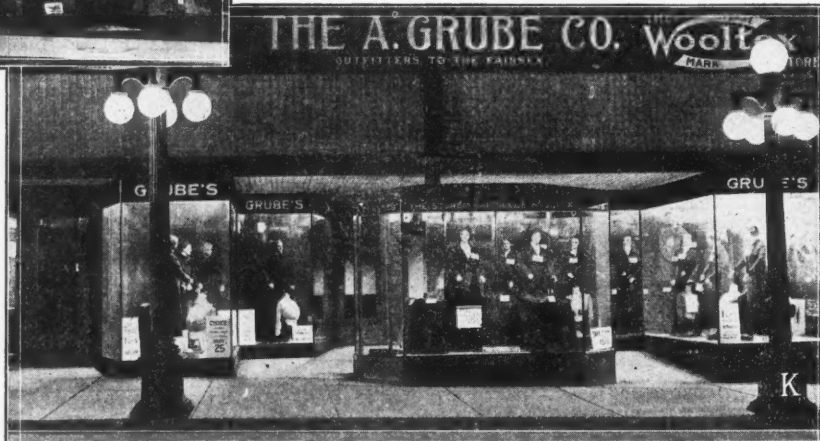
The view of the average buyer is that some sales manager has fixed up the testimonials, had the parties sign them up, pass around the cigars and the job is done.

If it were possible for manufacturers of different lines of machinery, where the number was not prohibitive, to get together a "Bureau of Standards" which would be absolutely impartial and classify the lines in capacity, durability, and performance, it would enhance the sale of many labor saving appliances that are neglected to a great extent by the smaller contractors and builders; since, while the goods may be well

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This Kawneer Store Front Brought 25% Increase in Sales



By installing a modern **Kawneer All-Metal Store Front** this merchant was able to boost his sales without increasing his advertising.

60,000 other merchants vouch for the value of the **Kawneer way** of modernizing store buildings.

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The
Kawneer
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Profitable
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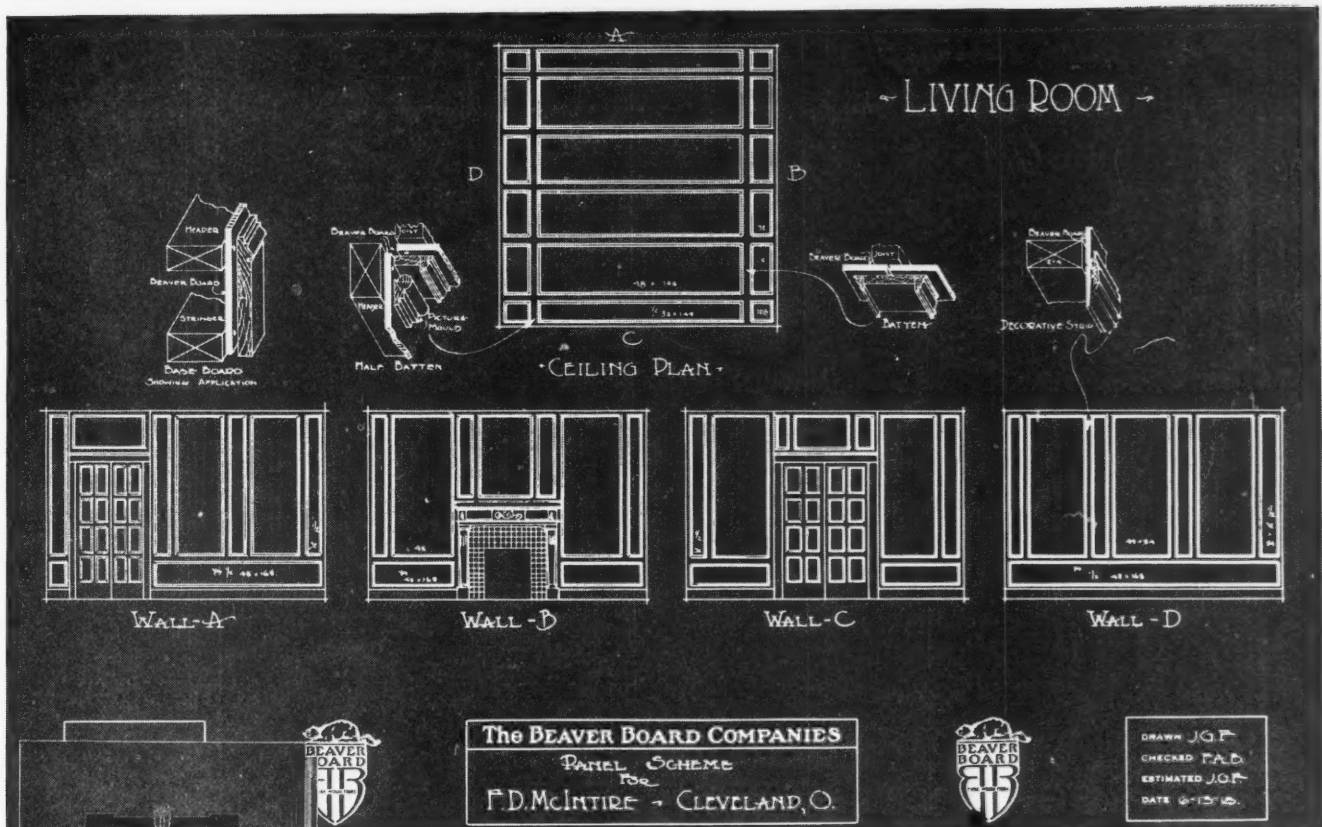
Kawneer

STORE FRONTS

Write today for Catalog and Portfolio of Designs.

Let us show you how you can make money as the store front expert in your locality.

Kawneer Mfg. Company, Niles, Mich.



Probably You Too Can Use This Free Design Service

Study this drawing for just a moment. It shows very clearly how our Department of Design and Decoration is helping Builders and Contractors all over the country.

It indicates the way in which paneling suggestions for each room, hall or auditorium are made, and shows the basis upon which exact estimates are prepared.

Along with specially prepared drawings and blue-prints of this kind, complete color combinations are offered. These decorative plans in portfolio form accompany each set of suggestions.

Estimating and planning your Beaver Board contracts is a task you can easily refer to this department without the slightest obligation. Our Draftsmen and Designers are always at your service. They are thoroughly familiar with all contract work—new

or remodeling—and can quickly prepare a plan and give you a reliable estimate ready to be used in placing your order for the correct amount of Beaver Board and trim.

They have made special study of large ceiling dimensions and can give you suggestions that will harmonize with the architectural details of the building.

Beaver Board is daily finding new uses for itself. The large boards of this knotless, crackless manufactured lumber are now indispensable as a building material. Beaver helps give you steady work from foundation to completion of interior trim. By displacing plaster it speeds up the work, too.

THE BEAVER BOARD COMPANIES

40 Beaver Road Buffalo, N. Y.
Branches in Boston, New York, Baltimore, Cleveland,
Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis, Kansas City
and San Francisco

Manufacturers also of Beaver Greenboard & Beaver Blackboard
Distributors in Principal Cities Dealers everywhere

BEAVER BOARD

FOR BETTER WALLS & CEILINGS

WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER

You can't expect
Beaver Board results
unless this trademark
is on the back of the
board you buy.

A War-Time Idea in Roofing

THE new Neponset war-time method is simply this: lay Neponset Paroid Roll Roofing (red or green, slate surfaced) right on top of old wood shingle roofs that leak.

Why is this a war-time idea?

It cuts the cost one-half. It's the thrift method. Saves the expense of tearing off old shingles. Gives a double roof that is beautiful, fire-safe, and one that makes a house cooler in Summer and warmer in Winter. It's the method that fits exactly into the war-drained purse of Mr. House Owner. It's the one way to get in on the present roofing business on the right basis. It is paying carpenters and

builders handsomely. It will pay you. We help you make sales.

In our national advertising we tell your customers how this money-saving thrift method of laying Neponset Paroid right on the top of wooden shingles gives a first-class roof at half the cost of a new shingle roof.

Mail the coupon for Selling Plan and folder giving directions.

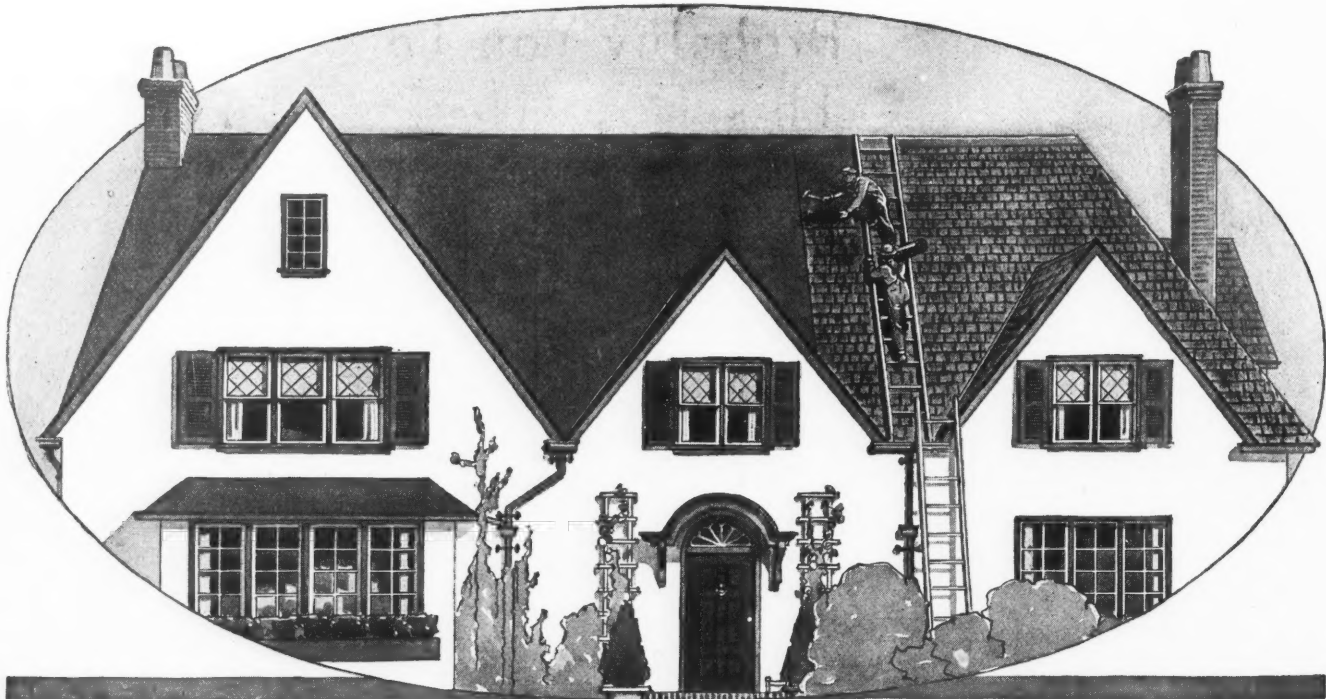
BIRD & SON, Inc., Dept. C, East Walpole, Mass.
(Established 1795)

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New York

Washington

Canadian Office and Plant, Hamilton, Ont.

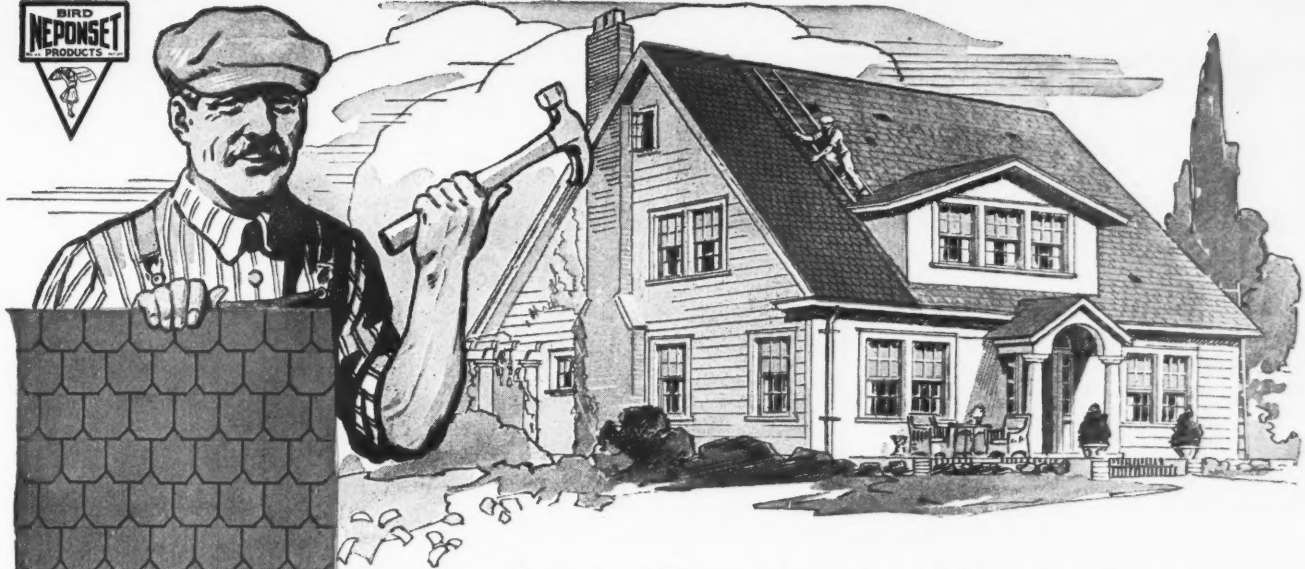


NEPONSET ROOFS

Bird & Son, Inc. (Write to the nearest address given above.) Send me, without obligation, Selling Plan and directions for laying NEPONSET Roofing over wood shingles.

Name..... Address.....

WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER



Art Craft is Keeping Carpenters on the Jump

Business is fine, thank you, with hundreds of our carpenter and builder friends. They are working full time with orders piled ahead.

They are pushing Art Craft—the handsome, fire-safe roll roofing that fits perfectly into the country's war-time needs.

Art Craft is put on over old shingle roofs or over roof boards on new buildings. Some carpenters tell us they land ten Art Craft jobs to every single order for a *new wooden shingle roof*.

One house in every three is said to have a worn-out shingle roof. How many customers does this mean for you

in your town? Count them up. Every one is a prospect for Art Craft.

The standard Art Craft roll contains 108 sq. ft. and is 32 in. wide and 40 ft., 6 in. long. It gives extra years of satisfaction because it has an extra heavy felt base. Tile pattern in three colors—red, green, and silver grey.

Fill out coupon and mail today. It will bring full information and facts that you ought to know.

BIRD & SON, Inc., Dept. C, East Walpole, Mass.
(Established 1795)

Chicago

New York

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Canadian Office and Plant, Hamilton, Ont.



Art Craft Roof

BIRD & SON, Inc. (write to nearest address given above). I want to learn how Art Craft will bring me more business. Send complete information. Name.....Address.....

WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE AMERICAN BUILDER

Local Home-owners will thank you

If You Recommend and Install MORGAN Storm Protection before Cold Weather

Anything you can suggest that will help local home-owners beat the high price of coal this winter will win their hearty appreciation.

MORGAN Combination Storm and Screen Doors, and MORGAN Storm Sash prevent cold houses, drafty rooms, insure perfect ventilation and comfort wherever installed. They keep the cold out and the heat in. They make for lower fuel costs and better health. Cash in on the season's opportunities NOW.



Stands Back of Your Satisfaction Guarantee

Like every MORGAN Product—Morgan Storm Doors and Storm Sash are thoroughly built—of selected, well-seasoned stock. And they carry the regular MORGAN guarantee.

There is a wide array of standard design to offer your prospective customers.

Write for the name of the Morgan Dealer nearest to you. You can depend on him to give you all the particulars and prompt service.

Morgan Sash & Door Company

Dept. 78

Chicago, U. S. A.

Morgan Co., Oshkosh, Wisconsin
Morgan Millwork Co., Baltimore

Members of the
Wholesale Sash & Door Association

Correspondence Department

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advertised, yet a record of performance is lacking in their particular case and they do not invest. The mere knowledge of the advertised article does not put the sale over, as they have no ready means of getting first hand information as to the real merits of the article and it may be the best in the line, or just built to sell.

Advertising is lacking in that it carries only a knowledge of the thing to the prospective buyer, leaving out quality and performance, the thing he most desires. This applies more especially to specialties that are brought out from time to time and new inventions that are put on the market; and the buyer pays for the mistakes of the manufacturers.

This is the opinion of the man "from the farm."

J. J. HONAN,

Cashier, Banking House of T. J. Lycan.



Spain Builds Concrete Ships

To the Editor:

Chicago, Ill.

A firm in Barcelona, Spain, known as Construcciones & Pavimentos, has for some time been building small concrete vessels and expanding its yards in order to enable the construction of large ocean-going reinforced concrete ships.

On August 24 the following cablegram was received by the Portland Cement Association, Chicago, from the firm mentioned:

"First Spanish reinforced concrete seagoing ship built by us arrived successfully Barcelona harbor. Best greetings American friends."

As this Spanish firm was preparing last spring to build 6,000-ton concrete ships, it is likely that this message refers to the successful trial trip of the first of these large reinforced concrete vessels completed.

H. COLIN CAMPBELL,

Director Editorial Bureau,
Portland Cement Association.



Table of Exact Rafter Lengths

To the Editor:

Williamstown, N. Y.

On page 86 of your August, 1918, number in "Some Rafter Dope," I find a very valuable table giving much information for the workman who is not up-to-date on laying out rafters for gable roofs and others. This article by Bro. Upton is fine all the way thru, but by a slight mistake or misprint, the diagonal measurement of 12 and 6 ($\frac{1}{4}$ pitch) is given as 13.89, where it should be 13.41.

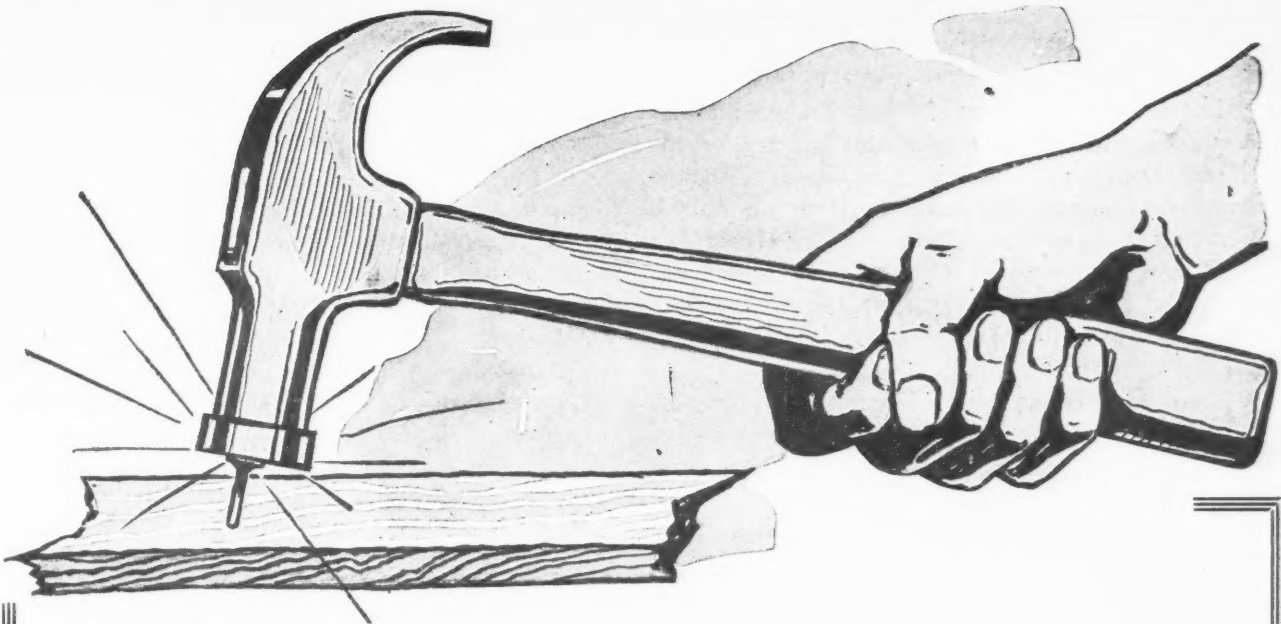
I have taken pains to figure twelve different pitches by square root to the ten-thousandth part of an inch, and thinking that they might help some brother in his work, I send a copy.

Pitch	Rise per foot run, in inches	Multiply run by	For each foot of run, add inches
1/24	1	12.0415	.0415
1/12	2	12.1655	.1655
3/24=1/8	3	12.3693	.3693
1/6	4	12.6491	.6491
5/25	5	13	1
1/4	6	13.4164	1.4164
3/24	7	13.8924	1.8924
1/3	8	14.4222	2.4222
3/8	9	15	3
5/12	10	15.6204	3.6204
11/24	11	16.2788	4.2788
1/2	12	16.9705	4.9705

Yours for success.

EMMANUEL A. GARCIA.





Get in the Drive
for the
Fourth Liberty Loan

BUY LIBERTY BONDS

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CURTIS
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"The Permanent Furniture for Your Home"

THE CURTIS COMPANIES, SERVICE BUREAU
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Manufacturing and Distributing Plants at

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Sioux City, Iowa Topeka, Kansas Dayton, Ohio Eastern Offices at Pittsburgh and Washington

*The makers of CURTIS Woodwork guarantees complete satisfaction to its users.
"We're not satisfied unless you are"*

It Is Worth the Price

SOME WAR FIGURES AND THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

THE stupendous cost of the war is now being impressed upon the people of this country by the call for the Fourth Liberty Loan, which will be the greatest floatation of bonds ever made at one time by any nation. Our country is now spending about \$50,000,000 a day, or one and one-half billions a month, with the expenditures so far mainly in the way of preparation. With our forces fully launched on the road to Berlin, the costs will be even greater.

The work of preparation has meant catching up with Germany, which prepared for the world war for forty years, in less than half as many months. All the tremendous work of building a modern fighting force from the foundation up has been concentrated into a few months, and the result has amazed the world. Cantonments, warehouses, army and navy depots, aviation camps, shipyards, ammunition and ordnance factories, and other supply factories, have sprung into being as if by magic. An army of 3,000,000 men, with 150,000,000 fighters now in France, and 500,000 men in our first line of defense, the American navy, testify to the fact that we have obtained the worth of our money.

Uncle Sam spent \$227,000,000 as an initial outlay in the building of cantonments, army depots, aviation

camps, and similar work. The transporting of 1,500,000 men to France has cost \$180,000,000, to say nothing of the sums for preliminary work in France, and to pay for the great army of non-combatants.

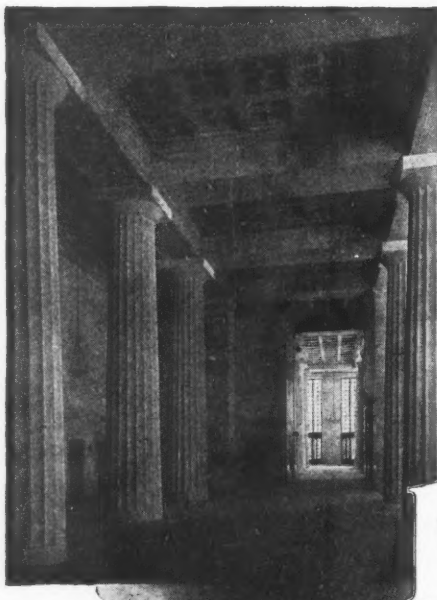
To equip, maintain and pay a soldier for one year, including transportation to France, costs approximately \$2,040, or for 3,000,000 fighting men, \$6,150,000,000. Congress has appropriated \$12,951,000,000 for ordnance supplies and equipment and for tanks. We are now making shells at the rate of 90,000,000 a year, costing all the way from \$1 to \$1,000, the appropriation for shells alone this year amounting to \$2,650,000,000.

More billions have been appropriated for the purchase and building of an untold number of armed ships for the navy and for transports for both men and supplies. Warehouses, railroads, and rolling stock in France have been provided at immense cost, and in addition to existing yards being enlarged, 106 new ship yards have been built and are in operation, beating the submarine and building a merchant marine that will make the United States the foremost maritime nation of the world.

The price of having the treaty of peace signed at

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EXCELSIOR Wire Products



Western Union
Building
New York

Interior Construction

In planning an interior such as that shown here—the magnificent Western Union Building—many intricate problems are involved, not the least of which is the support for the plaster. It is significant that for this purpose

EXCELSIOR WIRE LATH

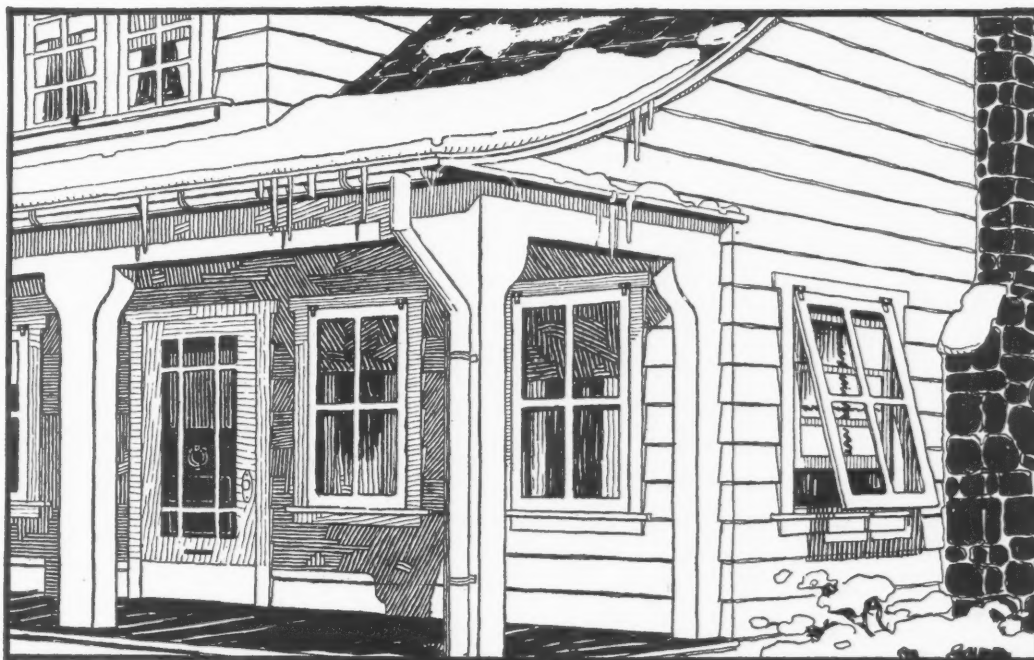
was selected, proving as in thousands of former instances, the superiority of this standard construction material.

Irrespective of the size of the building or the use to which it is to be put, Excelsior Wire Lath will meet all requirements. Just how—Just why—will become apparent upon reading our little booklet (ask for Booklet F) which we will gladly send upon request.

While government orders of course take precedence, we will continue to fill other orders just as far as we are able.

WRIGHT WIRE COMPANY
WORCESTER, MASS.

Architect, W. W. Bosworth; Builders, Marc Eidlitz & Son, Inc., New York; Photo by Wurts Bros., New York



Getting Business Out of the Coal Shortage

THE shortage and the high price of coal have opened up a profitable business for every contractor. People are wondering how they are going to keep warm this winter.

The surest solution of this problem is to have all houses equipped with

Storm Windows and Storm Doors

And this solution is a profitable investment for every householder. Storm windows and storm doors cut down coal bills one-third to one-half. This saving alone pays for them in one or two seasons.

But more important still—they assure a warm house in the coldest winter weather. They make the house comfortable and healthful by permitting perfect ventilation and by eliminating cold floor drafts.

There's no better investment a householder can make at this time.

The Director of Conservation of the Fuel Administration says: "The National Fuel

Administration realizes that a large amount of coal can be saved by the installation of storm doors, storm windows" . . . "and advocates such installation the same as we do proper firing methods and proper attention to boilers."

We are telling the story of storm windows and storm doors to more than four million readers of metropolitan newspapers. Lumber dealers everywhere are going to tell it in their local newspapers.

Get in touch with your local lumber dealer, talk storm windows and storm doors with your customers and you will cash in on the demand we are creating.

Wholesale Sash & Door Association, Chicago

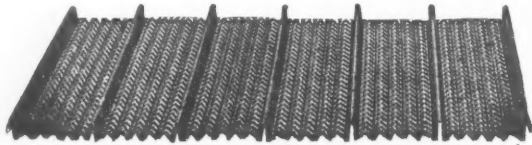


Big Economy in Metal Lath Construction

The man who builds will appreciate the reasonable cost at which you can construct modern, strong, fire-proof homes by utilizing our metal lath products. You can save the owner time, material and labor expense.

Use Hy-Rib and Rib Lath—and you save forms, stiffening channels and labor. The metal lath is so stiff and rigid that supports may be placed a greater distance apart—saving in the cost of supports and the labor and time necessary to attach the lath. Moreover, streaked and cracked plaster is prevented.

Hy-Rib furnished in four depths of ribs and various gauges.



Hy-Rib

A steel sheathing, stiffened by rigid deep ribs. Manufactured from a single sheet of steel. Its use is decidedly simple. The easily handled sheets are fastened to the supports and the plaster or concrete applied. No forms, stiffening channels nor wiring required.

Rib Lath

A superior metal lath with beaded ribs that span between the studs, making it exceptionally stiff and rigid and permitting the wider spacing of studs. Provides a perfect clinch for plaster and prevents cracking or streaking. Saves time, labor and material in erection.

Begin now to build with Hy-Rib and Rib Lath. The line is complete, including Diamond Lath, Channels, Studs, Corner Beads, Base Screeds, etc.

Write today for free copy of Hy-Rib Handbook, with specifications, tables, illustrations, etc. Very valuable to builders. Address Dept. H-44.

Truscon Steel Company
(Trussed Concrete Steel Co.)
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO



Representatives in
Principal Cities



1 1/2" HY-RIB
1 5/8" HY-RIB
1 3/4" HY-RIB
3/8" HY-RIB
RIB LATH

It is Worth the Price

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Berlin is high, but the United States has the price, and the people will pay it. Moreover, the benefits accruing from the fabulous expenditures in the main will be of a permanent character. We will have in the first place a wonderful war machine that will forever be a guarantee against attack by unscrupulous and barbarian autocracies, the foremost navy in the world, and leadership in the high seas trade. War factories will be turned into the products of peaceful commerce and make the country forever independent of other countries for essential products. Above all we will have taken our rightful place of responsibility and leadership among the nations of the world, with our people welded by the fires of patriotism, common sacrifice and common efforts, into one glorious, self conscious commonwealth.

The fabulous sums of money required to pay for Uncle Sam's part in the war call for co-operation, support and sacrifice of every citizen. Whatever the cost, whatever the sacrifice, the work will be done. It will be better to lend every dollar to the government and insure a glorious victory than to pay indemnity to the kaiser. The German war lords in their schemes for financing the war have based all their plans on having the price paid in blood money indemnities from their opponents. The United States with its resources still practically untouched, in defeat would be the logical source of payment. Is there any reason to doubt, reading the history of the last four years, that we would pay in every way that devilish and efficient ingenuity of Germany could devise?

If you want the magnificent national efforts already made to count and to count heaviest against the Hun for speedy victory, invest every dollar you can earn or borrow in Fourth Liberty Loan Bonds.

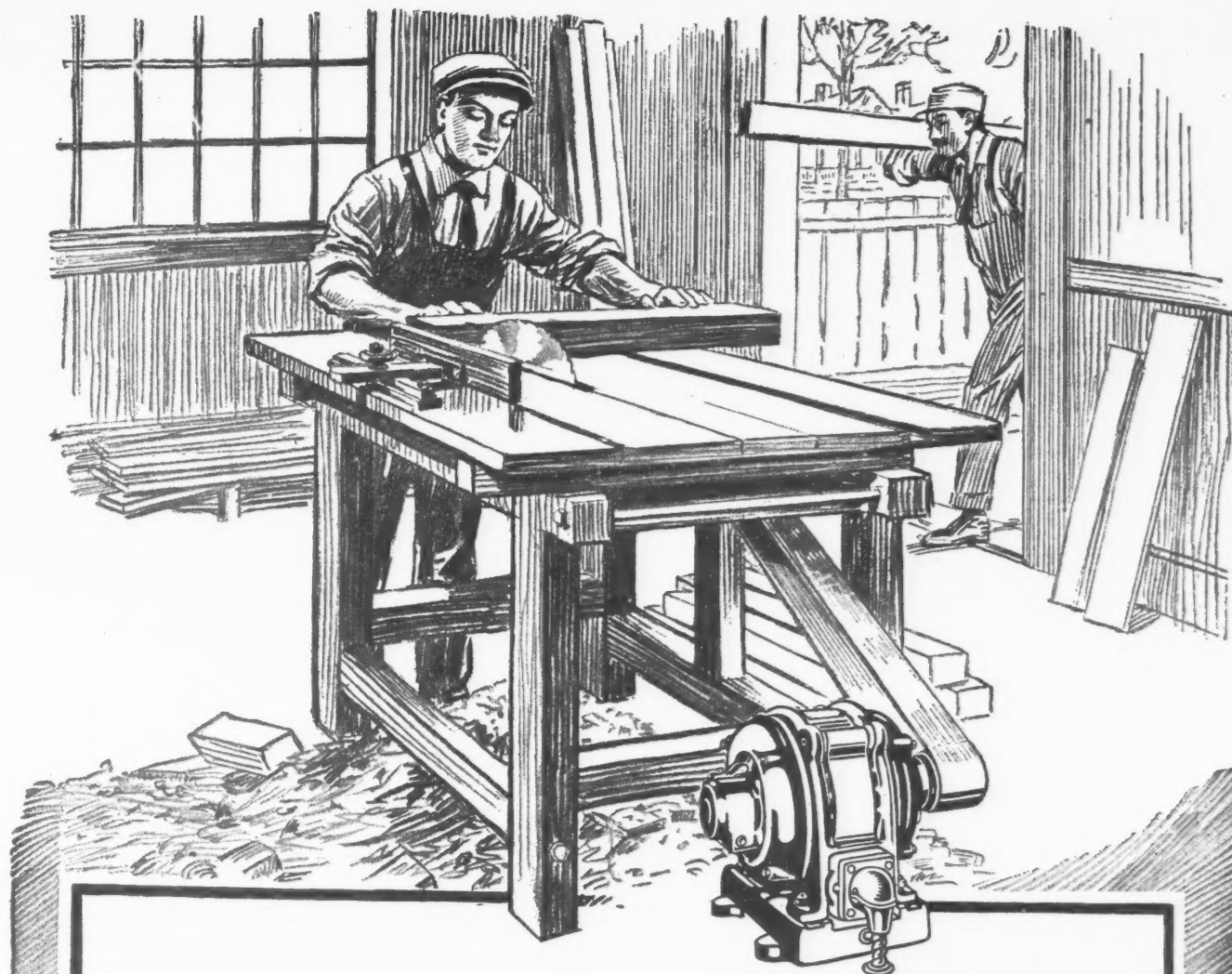
Lend while our men are fighting, give power to Uncle Sam's strong right arm, and insure the peace treaty being signed in Berlin.



Single Tree Yields \$11,000

Whitesburg, Ky.—A yellow poplar tree of giant size, which for years had stood in the hills of the Cumberland Mountains, where it was an object of unusual interest, has recently brought approximately \$11,000 as a manufactured product. The tree was cut down by a local lumber concern, and consigned to a firm in Cincinnati. When sawn, the product totaled nearly 7,000 feet of first class lumber with several hundred feet second class lumber thrown in.

It is declared that this was the largest tree marketed from the eastern Kentucky fields within a half century. It was so large that for a number of years the task of marketing it was a serious obstacle, there being few lumbermen who cared to try to cut it down.



An Electric Motor On The Job

is as good as an extra man, for it's the odd jobs and the special work that takes the time.

Put a portable electrically driven saw or buzz planer on your next construction job.

The cost for power is only a few cents an hour.

With motor driven outfits your men can rush work through with the same speed and sureness as in your own shop.

Tell your power needs to your electric company or your nearest motor agency.

General Electric Company

General Office



Schenectady, N.Y.

Sales Offices in All Large Cities

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The Holding Power of Screws

THE Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis., has been developing the science of screws to specific data relating to the holding power of ordinary wood screws. The original object of some experiments conducted was to get at the relative holding power of screws driven with a hammer as compared to screws properly put in with a screw driver. The folks there, like most of us, had a general idea that a screw driven in with a hammer will not hold as well as one put in properly, but they wanted some exact figures on the subject. So they conducted some experiments with No. 12 screws, 1¾ inches long, in different kinds of wood, from which they deduced that a hammer driven screw is only about 60 per cent efficient as compared to one properly put in with a screw driver.

This is something of a warning against using the hammer for screw driving in hanging doors and similar work, tho the real object was to determine the holding power of screws in the making of boxes and cases. Perhaps the most important finding, however, and one upon which not much comment was made, is in the relative holding power of screws in different kinds of wood.

Four different woods were used in the tests: basswood, yellow pine, gum and birch, and here are the tabulated results of the holding power of each; that is

the pounds power required to withdraw the screws:

Kind of Wood	Pounds Required to Withdraw	
	Screw Driver	Hammer Driven
Basswood	478	281
Yellow Pine.....	1,144	681
Red Gum.....	687	403
Birch	788	484

Birch and gum, being hardwoods, would naturally be expected to hold stronger than basswood, or than poplar or any of the softer woods, but the surprising thing is in the showing made by yellow pine. This, tho a comparatively soft wood, shows up to hold screws mighty well, and it is a point well worth remembering.

There must be something in the nature or structure of the wood, and possibly we will find the same qualities to a greater or less degree in other conifers, including fir, western pine and spruce. The tests in this case are admittedly inconclusive, and somewhat limited in character, and other tests, taking in a wider range of woods, may produce a different set of figures. Still the pine stands out here so strikingly as to make it plain that it has screw holding qualities worthy of special note, not only for door framing and similar work, but also for timbering and bridge-tree work where lag screws are used for attaching machinery, etc.

J. CROW TAYLOR.

Less Men Required for Painting

when less men are to be had

The demands for best quality painting, finished up right on time, are increasingly harder to meet due to the shortage of men who can do fast and good work. How many contractors and others are successfully solving this situation is illustrated below. On the job partially pictured here, the one man actually spray-painted as much surface as five hand-brushers could have covered in the same time, and produced most satisfactory results. This was done with the thoroughly complete, practical and guaranteed to make good

Aeron System
Practical
Surfaces Painting

Portable Painting Equipment

WITH THIS EQUIPMENT any kind of paint can be spray-applied on wood, stucco and brick houses, both exterior and interior. The painting speed will average close to five times faster

than hand-brushing. A more thorough, protective coating is insured. There is no skimping no dripping or other wastes. The paint is always at the nozzle ready to be sprayed simply by pulling a trigger—no continual dipping from pail to the work. Considerable time and labor is saved in simple operation and easy portability of outfit. The Aeron System is a practical investment for either large or small jobs, the time and labor saving soon paying for it.

Write and let us mail you further important particulars

The DeVilbiss Mfg. Co.
1276 Dorr St., Toledo, Ohio



Northwest
BUILDING MATERIAL EXHIBIT

Look Before You Build SERVICE It's Free to See

COME to this Exhibit when selecting materials for that new building of yours. It will give us pleasure to show you all the best materials to use.

If you cannot visit us, then write us. Our service is free to you.

Send us your plans and specifications and we will gladly secure such figures as you may desire. No obligation.

Many Exhibitors combine their Minneapolis City office with their displays, making this floor your time saver.

NORTHWEST BUILDING MATERIAL EXHIBIT

4th Floor First National Soc-Line Building
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Look before you build

Heat that HOME RIGHT

Use the

MODERN WAY FURNACE

Up-to-the-minute improvements in Hot Air Heating Systems are found completely in the Modern Way Furnace. Burns Hard or Soft Coal, Coke or Wood. Heats, Ventilates, and gives added comfort to any home.

Contractors Attention!!

A special proposition to YOU. Big profits made specifying the Modern Way Furnace. Get into the game early and win your share of these profits! Now is the time—write for information today!

**The Modern Way
Furnace Co.
Fort Wayne, Ind.**



War is Forcing New Methods

Under its stress and strain the *speediest*, most *efficient* and *economical* methods and materials of building are supplanting all others. War necessities compel it. Peace will see it standard practice—for the era of waste is past.

Widespread use of *concrete* in Government and private undertakings, in war and industry, both here and abroad, has opened the eyes of all thinking people. They are using concrete for necessary buildings *now* and are going to use *more of it after we win the war*.

The farsighted engineer, architect or builder was ready. He is using concrete now for speed, efficiency and economy. He is prepared to take up reconstruction and expansion problems after the war in the light of what experience has developed as the fittest.

Whatever the Building, Use Concrete

Proof against fire, earthquake, explosion, rot, rust and rats; economical in first cost, lowest in ultimate cost, no painting, general repair or other maintenance; sanitary, permanent—whether the building be factory or warehouse, silo or grain elevator, dairy building or icehouse, dam or bridge, reservoir or power plant, garage or residence, school or church, shop or office building—concrete will make for saving in time, labor and transportation.

Were you ready—are you ready? If you are, you will be the man of the hour when the speed of peace follows the speed of war.

You Build Once Only With Concrete.

Portland Cement Association

Offices at

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Chicago
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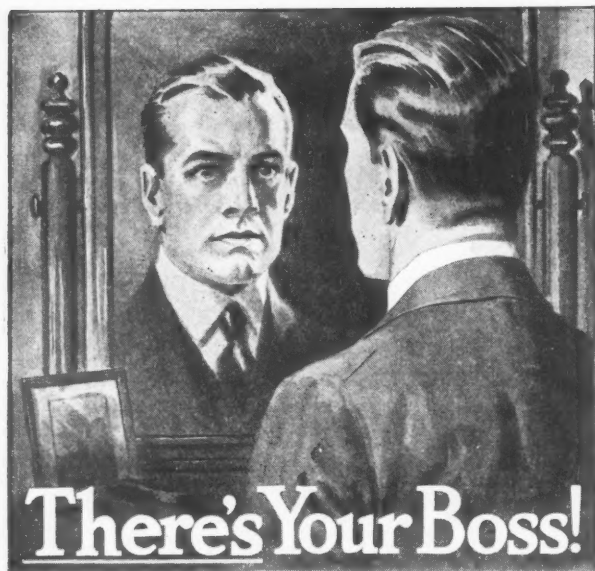
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Indianapolis
Kansas City

Milwaukee
Minneapolis
New York

Parkersburg
Pittsburgh
Seattle
Washington

CONCRETE
FOR PERMANENCE





There's the only man who controls your future

Nobody else can push you ahead. Nobody else can hold you back. Money, position, power—the things you want—it's up to you to win them. *And you can do it.*

If you want a better job than the one you have, there's just one thing to do—get ready for it. Don't worry about opportunities. Employers everywhere are looking for men who can do things. Learn to do some one thing better than others, and there'll be plenty of them looking for you.

And you *can* get ready—for any work you choose—through the International Correspondence Schools. You can do it at home, in spare time, without losing a day or a dollar in your present occupation. More than 130,000 men are doing it right now.

Your future depends on yourself. Start to build it today and let the I. C. S. help you. Here's all we ask: mark and mail this coupon.

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOLS

Box 8159, SCRANTON, PA.

Explain, without obligating me, how I can qualify for the position, or in the subject, before which I mark X.

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NEWS OF THE FIELD

New National Lumber Secretary Appointed

President John H. Kirby of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association has just announced the appointment of Dr. Wilson Compton of Washington, D. C., as secretary-manager of the association. John Lind who for several months has been acting secretary of the organization will continue as assistant secretary.

Dr. Compton, who since March of this year has been assistant chief dispatcher of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, has been a student and investigator in the lumber industry for nearly ten years. He is an attorney and economist by profession. At different times he was graduate student and instructor in economics in Princeton University, Columbia University and Dartmouth College.

For two years Dr. Compton was economist on the staff of the Federal Trade Commission, and at various times since 1911 has been associated with the work of the Forest Service, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the Department of Commerce in Washington.

Dr. Compton is the author of two books on the lumber industry, one of them "The Organization of the Lumber Industry," published in 1916 being extensively known. He is also a writer of articles on economic and legal subjects.



Wooden Furniture to Save Steel

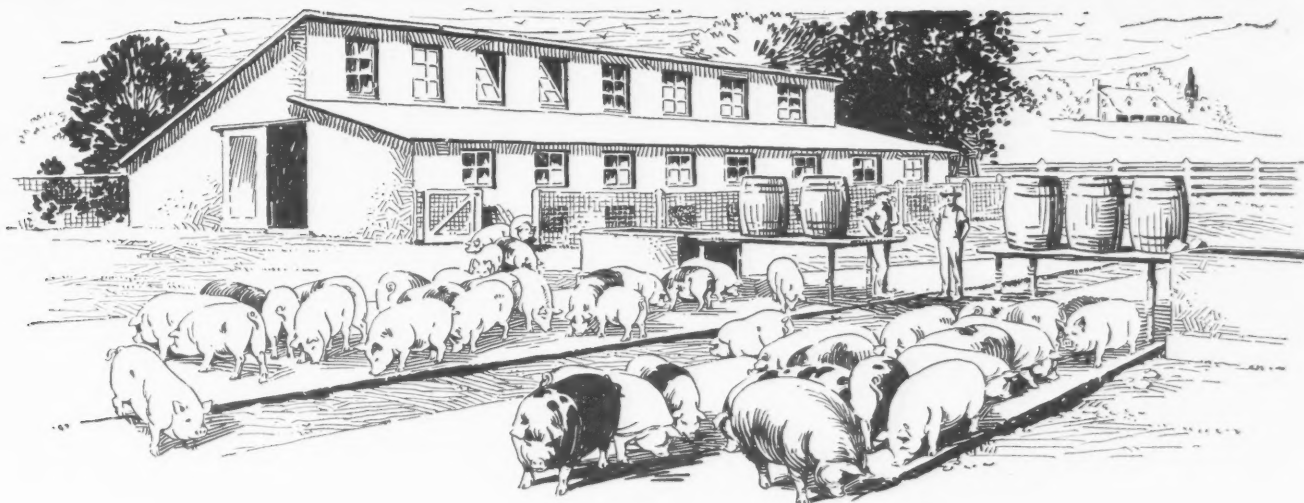
Good old fashioned wood, transformed into beds, may ease the sleep of America's vast armies, leaving steel available in larger quantities for the work of Hun destruction over there, if a plan presented to the government by Charles R. Sligh of Grand Rapids, Mich., is adopted. The Grand Rapids man has made a tentative offer to the authorities to furnish 1,250,000 wooden beds for the use of soldiers in cantonments.

Mr. Sligh's action was the result of a recent report that the government was seeking bids on 1,250,000 steel beds for the cantonments. He has perfected a design which will not be patented, and which can be made by any manufacturer who succeeds in getting an order from the government.

Mr. Sligh claims that by the substitution of wood for steel, vast quantities of the latter commodity can be released for munition purposes. His bed may be made from any of the hardwoods. He claims that the government can be saved 12,500 tons of iron and steel on this one order alone. The total annual consumption of iron and steel in the form of nails, screws, supports, and all other kinds of metal except springs used in the furniture industry in this country, says Mr. Sligh, is but 8,500 tons, which is considerably less than the amount of metal required to produce this one order of metal beds.

In support of the proposal it is argued that if the furniture men were given even this single order of beds there would be a saving in steel of enough to make one steel ship of 37,000 tons burden, or five steel ships of 7,500 tons burden, the latter being one of the standards most frequently built. The government is now using many iron chairs on steamships. The furniture industry is offering to put out a wooden chair for its use in many places at one-half the cost. The

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Turning Garbage Pails Into Boxes of Bacon

The September number of ALPHA AIDS, a publication issued by us regularly in the interests of engineers, architects, contractors, building material dealers and others interested in concrete construction, gives a summary of what several enterprising municipalities are doing just now in turning the town garbage into a larger supply of the bacon that Uncle Sam needs. Our city of Easton has purchased a farm for this purpose, after looking into the experiences of Worcester, Mass., and other municipalities.

ALPHA AIDS tells also how to build a number of different types of hog houses and yards. Some are entirely concrete; others are not. The descriptions are freely illustrated with photographs and working drawings.

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Wooden Furniture to Save Steel

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iron chair weighs 14 lbs., which would mean a saving of a large car of steel for every 5,000 chairs made out of wood.

The furniture men also suggest to the government that it might well require the manufacture of all kinds of office furniture, especially desks and filing devices from wood, and not of metal during the war.



Lumber Dealer's Exhibit Attracts Attention at State Fair

Much interest was aroused at the recent Illinois State Fair at Springfield, by the novel advertising feature exhibited by the Springfield Lumber Company. Mr. J. A. Bryden, the president, had already installed a permanent branch office at the State Fair grounds, but inasmuch as this year is the Illinois centennial, he decided to do something extra to stimulate business.

For a long time Mr. Bryden has appreciated the importance of attracting prospects for repair work, even more than the new builders who naturally come to a lumber yard anyway. Accordingly he remembered the trouble that automobile owners have during the winter, keeping their garages warm and comfortable, and so he erected a portable garage, built in sections and lined thruout with Cornell wood board.

Each visitor who registered his name and address with the exhibit of the Springfield Lumber Company received a sample of Cornell wood board imprinted with the firm name and bearing a number which entitled the holder to a chance on the garage. On the last day of the fair, an unusually large crowd witnessed the drawing in front of the Springfield Lumber Company's exhibit, and the holder of the lucky number was found to be Mr. Wm. Dorsey of Perry, Ill.

Mr. Bryden's advocacy of the advertising and sales of lumber specialties is well borne out by his own experience, for during the last year he has moved over four cars of wall board and also a proportional amount of other specialties.



Black Walnut Wanted

Washington, D. C.—The Bureau of Aircraft Production of the War Department has announced that there is an urgent necessity for the immediate delivery of all the black walnut wood it is possible to obtain. This wood is desired for use in the making of airplane propeller blades and gun stocks.

The bureau says that black walnut trees are scattered thruout different parts of the United States, growing in small groups, and that in taking the necessary steps to see that these trees are made available to the government, the owners of them have an opportunity to demonstrate their patriotism in a most practical and effective way.

A part only of the lumber from each tree can be used, and the government, therefore, cannot buy the trees direct from the owner. When the trees are sold to a saw mill which has a government contract for lumber for propeller blades or gun stocks, this wood will be sorted out and put to the uses to which it is adapted.

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diameter can be cut, as they do not yield material suitable for government use.

It is desired by the bureau that anyone having information on the subject of black walnut trees get into touch with saw mill concerns in their communities, which may have government contracts, or communicate with the Ordnance Department, Production Division, Small Arms Section, Washington, D. C.



Re-roofing the Cradle of Liberty

Wood shingles have been decided upon for the re-roofing of old Independence Hall, in Philadelphia, by the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects. These are to be laid on shingle lath so they will be visible from the loft and nailed with copper nails.

The Philadelphia architect body made the decision after a long and exhaustive study of the subject, during which all sorts of roofing material was proposed. The work, which is to be finished in four weeks, has already been let for \$5,936. The specifications call for split all-heart shingles, seven by twenty-four inches, with butts not less than half inch.

When the work has been completed the historic building will be about as fully restored to its original condition as possible. Part of the work to be done on the contract is to move the skylights from the north side and place them on the south side, as they were originally.



A Screen Door Tragedy

AT a big construction camp doing government work where the men live in barracks built somewhat after the manner of those for the soldiers in training, one of the barracks buildings caught fire in the middle of the night when all the men were asleep. Panic followed when the men were finally aroused and a jamb at the door resulted in which a dozen men were injured, two losing their lives.

There was a screen to the door, hung to swing inside instead of outside, and it was this which impeded egress and caused or contributed to the tragedy. Evidently the doors themselves had been hung to swing outward as a matter of safety against just such jamming in case of fire, and it was naturally convenient to hang the screens on the inside. It being summer time the door was open, but the screen was closed.

Of course, this led to an immediate changing of the screens on other buildings, and the object of relating the tragedy here is to impress it so indelibly upon the mind of every reader that it will be there as a reminder when occasion arises inviting him to hang a screen door to swing inside.

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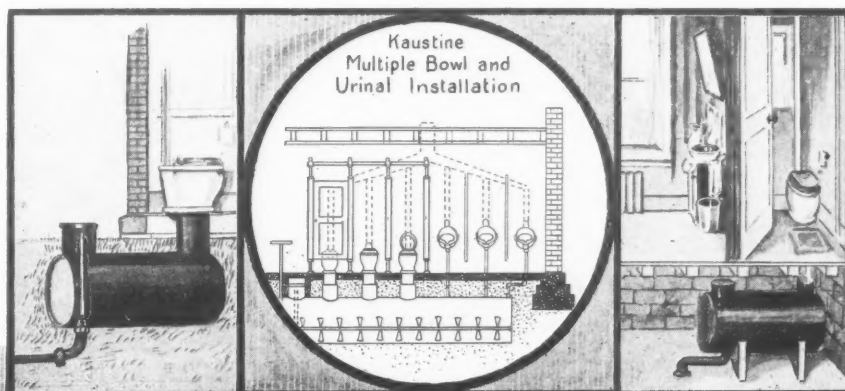
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Cost Keeping System for the Carpenter and Builder

By Wesley A. Fink

THE calling of the master carpenter and builder like all other kindred trades has its ups and downs, its successes and failures.

It is the common lot of all those who venture into business that they can only expect results commensurate with their endeavors and ideals. Every man stakes his time and talent with the firm resolve of winning; but all do not accomplish it. Steady plodding and persistent, patient effort will often bring a measure of success, but as for fortunes, we must not look for them under the present methods of competitive warfare.

The carpenter industry is one so simplified in its procedure that it is easy of access to almost anyone who has a smattering of knowledge and experience concerning the trade, hence, there are those who drift into its calling by their circumstances. Starting out with a few accessories incidental to the trade, they worm themselves into a more ignorant public, who are always anxiously looking for the cheap "guy." A small credit enables the beginner to procure the necessary material and install it in some fashion, to turn out a job of carpenter work; and, with a kit of tools, hatchet, saw, planes, brace and bits, nail punch, level, etc., a

new personal has dawned upon the business life of a community.

This is one of the circumstances that is a great factor in cheapening the trade and lessening the chance of the competent master carpenter toward the path of fortune.

Our calling, perhaps, more than others, is given to treading in the same old time-worn customs. Hence the road to accumulate wealth is very slow. But while it is well to remember the past, recalling its lessons, it is folly to live in it at the expense of today, meantime discounting tomorrow.

You can't hear the tick of yesterday's clock.

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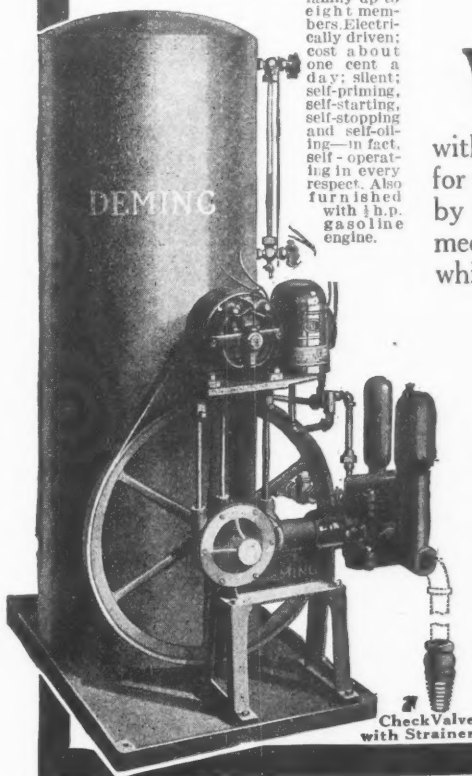
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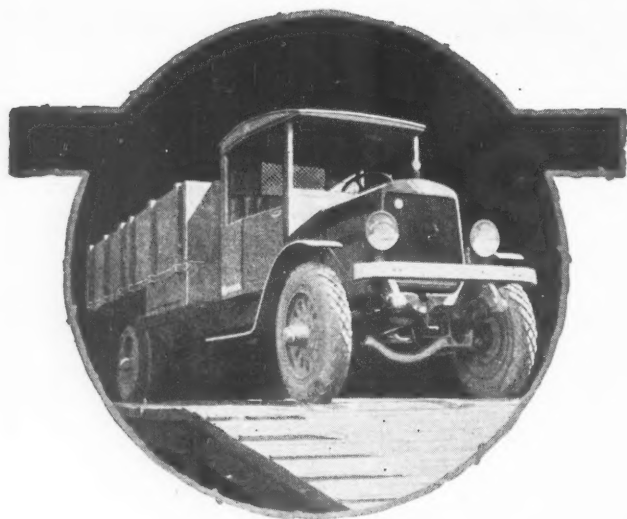


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Cost Keeping System for Carpenters and Builders

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It is well to plan for days that are to come. He who does not plan his work will soon have no work to plan.

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The fact that there is such a thing as cost accounting is utterly unknown to him. He has always supposed that the entire cost of a job of carpenter work was made up of the amount paid for materials, plus the wages paid out. He has never given a thought to such things as rent, superintendence, insurance (fire and casualty or compensation), advertising, telephone, team, wear and tear on hatchets, saws, planers, tools and equipment, heat, light, interest on cost of equipment, bad debts, services of bookkeeper, or time taken by the employer to keep his own books, and depreciation in value of plant and shop, and 57 other varieties of overhead expense.

Is it any wonder, then, that he has always thought his old boss was making a good deal more money than was actually the case. So when the new boss starts for himself, he figures close, yet allows himself what he thinks is a reasonable profit, not knowing that the price with which he is so well pleased is really less than actual cost.

A large percentage of businesses are run at loose ends without the proprietors knowing at any time whether they are making a profit or loss. Now, if this is the case with all lines of business, including those in which the proprietor has had the advantage of a mercantile training, how much more apt it is to be the case in a business like the carpenter and building trade, when the proprietors are almost invariably mechanics? Is there any wonder that price cutting is so prevalent in the mechanical trades? Is it any wonder that competition has cut prices below the living profit basis in so many cities and towns, and has educated people up to the belief that they ought to be able to get their carpenter work and building done for figures that are less than actual cost?

The Federal Trade Commission has suggested that business or trade associations should take up the matter of cost accounting and work out systems adapted to the use of their members. There could be no more

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Cost Keeping Systems for the Carpenter and Builder

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profitable thing for local and state associations to undertake than this matter of instructing their members in cost accounting, and then doing a little missionary work to bring the subject to the attention of those outside carpenters and builders who are often the greatest offenders.

You can put it down as a certainty that the men who are most prone to cut prices below living profits are those who do not know what the work they do actually costs them. Education is the real cure for this evil. A series of lessons by an expert accountant given for the local Master Carpenters and Builders' Association would be worth all they would cost and a great deal more besides. And they would be a strong argument in favor of membership in reply to that often asked question, "What will I get out of the association?"

The Federal Trade Commission has had many complaints from manufacturers that competitors were selling goods below cost and ruining the industry in which they are engaged. Now this is a very common complaint in the building business, altho we do not believe that, as yet, any master carpenter or any association of master carpenters has laid this matter before the Federal Trade Commission, altho there is no reason why it should not be brought to the attention of this body.

Now the commission has investigated a large number of complaints of this kind and they have found that, in almost every case, the reason for price cutting of this kind is because the offending manufacturer does not know what his goods have cost him to make and to market, and out of 60,000 corporations they found that 30,000 charged off no depreciation whatever, and that only ten per cent of our manufacturers and merchants know the actual cost to manufacture and sell their goods.

While carpenter work is a mechanical trade and the master carpenter must, first of all, be a trained craftsman, it must not be forgotten that at the same time it is a mercantile business in which the contracting carpenter sells labor and material, or, in other words, sells service. Unless he knows exactly what that service costs him, including all the overhead expenses of running his business, he necessarily prices his work by guess or makes a figure to meet the bid submitted by his competitor, without knowing whether the price is a fair one to himself or not.

The one great difficulty is that a good many carpenters have no system of cost accounting by which they are able to tell exactly what each job has cost them, including not only labor and material, but the overhead expense as well. Hence they figure largely by guess,

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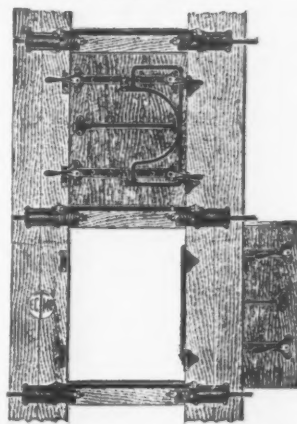
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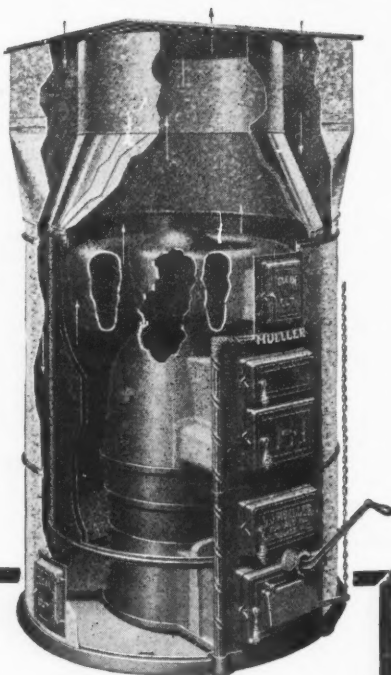
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and in their fear that some competitor may take a job away from them, they make it a rule to "guess low enough."

Now that prices for practically all building materials as well as labor have advanced because of conditions caused by the war, the contracting carpenter is up against a condition where he must advance the prices he charges above those formerly asked for the same work. With such a good excuse for advancing prices every carpenter should go a little further and in making up a new schedule of charges on which to base his estimates, he should see that he gets a liberal profit for himself and should refuse to accept any contract that is not going to yield it.

(The second of this series of cost-keeping articles by Mr. Fink will appear in an early issue.—EDITOR.)



The Ships That Will Win The War

By James J. Montague

They're launching 'em in Oregon; they're launching 'em in Maine,

They're launching 'em along the Jersey shore;
Every State that fronts the tide lets a couple of 'em slide

Every day or two, and starts a dozen more.
A million men are digging ore, a million smelting steel;

Another million working at the ways.
And the riveters are banging and the heavy hammers clanging

On the rivers and the harbors and the bays.

They're building 'em of timber; they're building 'em of steel,

They're moulding 'em of concrete made of sand;
And they'll all be strong and staunch when they've got in shape to launch

And all ready for the business that's at hand.
They soon will dot the ocean like the foam-flecks in a storm,

And they're going to go ahead and carry on,
Till the great big job is done and the great big war is won,

And the Kaiser and von Hindenburg are gone.
They'll find the men to man 'em everywhere that Yankees are,

Good husky lads who love a stand-up fight.
And the baffled submarines will depart for safer scenes,

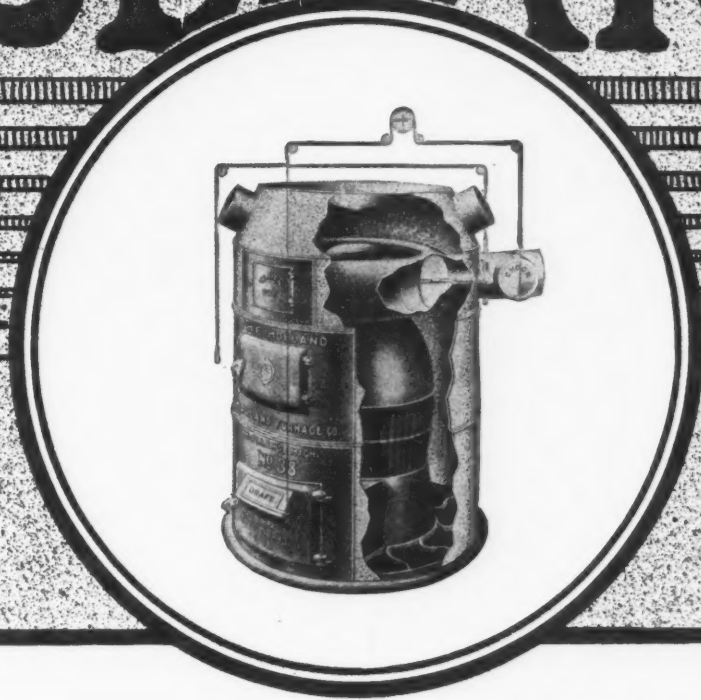
When confronted with their majesty and might.
They'll bridge the broad Atlantic with a bow-to-stern pontoon,

And the Teuton gang can read its own defeat
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Thirty-Six Million Cords of Wood Wasted Annually

There are more than 48,000 sawmills in the United States, and their output of waste in the form of sawdust, shavings, slabs, and other wood refuse is estimated as 36 millions cords per year. This is equal to over $4\frac{1}{2}$ billion cubic feet of waste, which is the capacity of a bin one-half mile high with a base covering a forty-acre lot. Or, considering each cord to contain 80 cubic feet of solid wood with all the cracks and air spaces taken out, these 36 million cords would make a block of wood more than a quarter of a mile on each edge.

Perhaps one-half of this so-called waste product is not strictly speaking wasted, but serves a useful purpose as fuel under the boilers. Much of the remaining 18 million cords not only serves no useful purpose, but in most cases is a source of inconvenience and danger, and costs the mill time and money.

Sawmill waste is disposed of in various ways. Some goes to the local fuel market, some to pulp mills or to wood distillation plants. Shavings and hog cuttings, as well as other mill waste, are sometimes used to fill low places in the yard. However, the most common method of getting rid of waste is by burning either in a fire-pit having an open fire which sometimes has a protecting wall on the side towards the mill, or in a burner enclosed on all sides and having a spark-arresting screen at the top and a fire grate near the bottom. In both cases some kind of a conveyor is necessary to bear the waste from the mill to the fire. This is usually a sort of trough with a metal bottom along which a slowly moving chain or cable, equipped with cleats or buckets, carries the waste to the fire.

A closed burner and conveyor costs about \$12,000 for a mill of a hundred thousand feet daily capacity. Forty per cent

of the larger mills, cutting more than 55,000 board feet daily, are equipped with closed burners. Forty-five per cent have fire-pits. The remainder have neither and dispose of their waste in some other way.

It is estimated that for a mill of one hundred thousand feet capacity the cost of conveying the waste from the machine where it is made and destroying it in a closed burner is 42 cents per cord or \$10.05 per day. Burners seldom bring in any revenue, altho in a few cases ashes are sold for fertilizer, and in a number of others the burner furnishes hot feed water for the boilers.

Both burners and fire-pits add to the insurance rates on lumber, and in the case of the pit on the mill itself. In order to reduce the fire hazard to zero, in the case of the burners, it is necessary to keep all lumber piles at least one hundred and fifty feet away from the burner. The matter is much worse in the case of pits, especially the open ones, which must be kept three hundred feet from the mill and five hundred feet away from any lumber piles. When nearer than these distances from the mill and yard, respectively, the insurance rates mount up rapidly with closer proximity until they become practically prohibitive when the fire-pit is nearer than one hundred feet.

No well-managed mill would produce waste if it could be avoided. This, however, is not possible, so the next best thing is to seek out some method of utilization of the waste so it will pay for its disposition. The Forest Service is working on this problem, but has not yet found a satisfactory solution.



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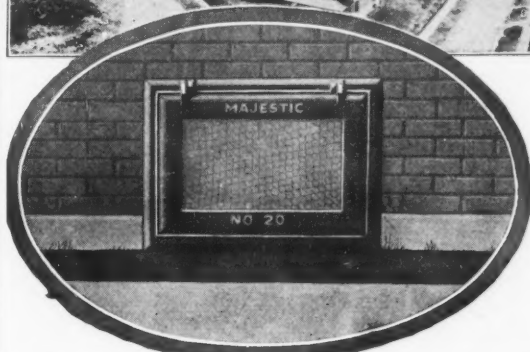
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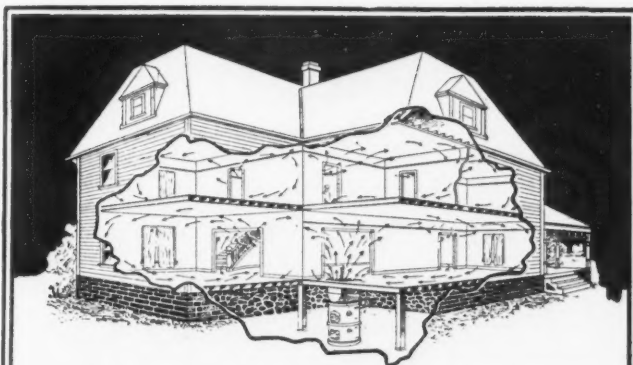
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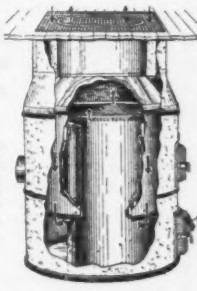
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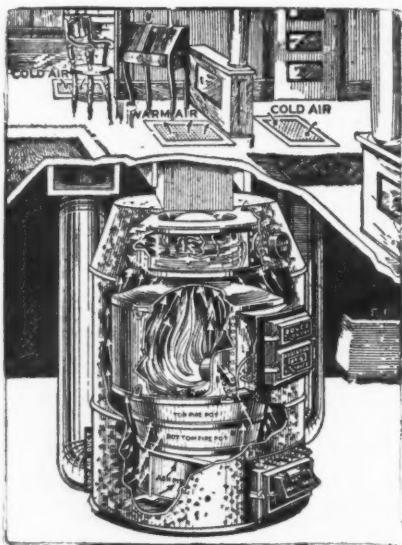
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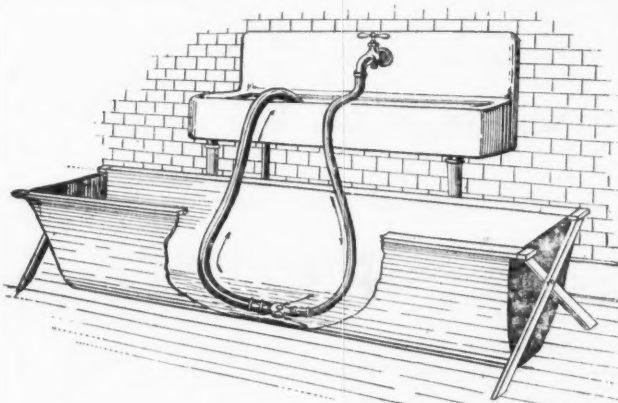
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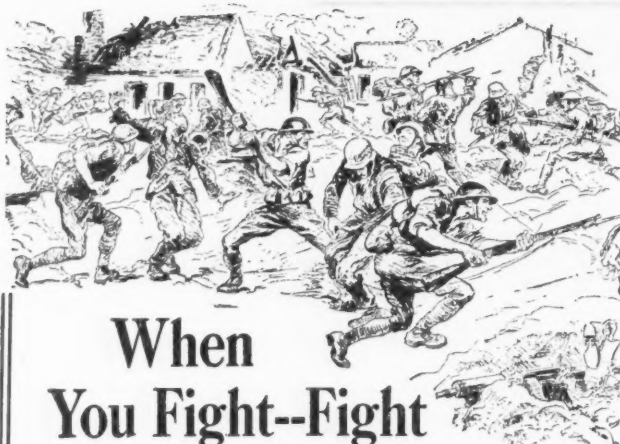


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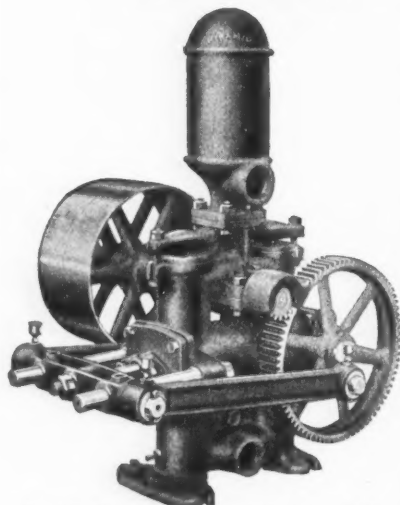


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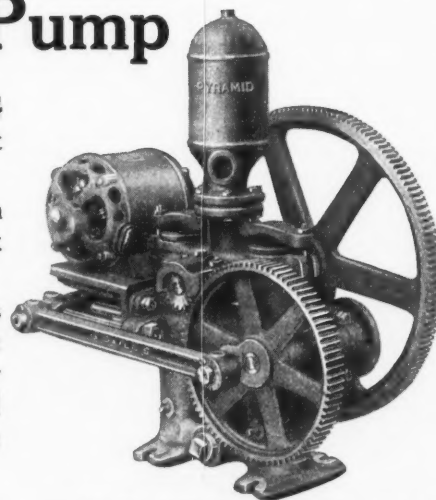
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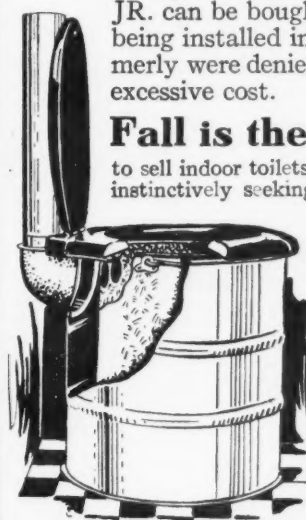
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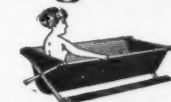
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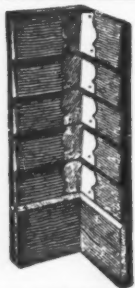
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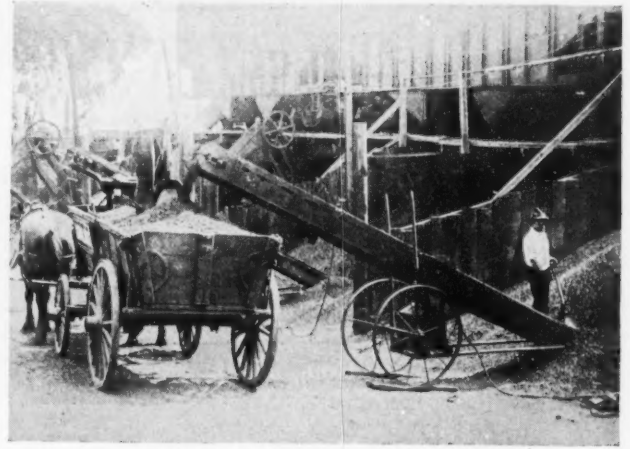
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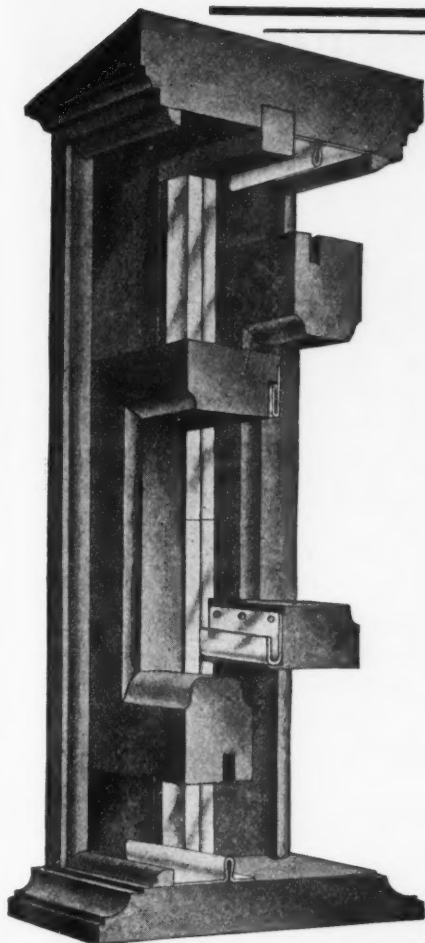
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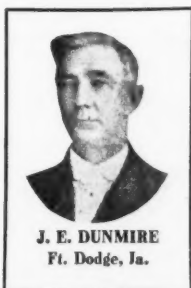
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Freak Housing Problem Solutions

By N. F. Hoggson

THERE is, and has been for some time, a shortage of houses for workmen. The situation has been serious—"acute" is the word most commonly used to describe it. It was necessary that adequate housing be provided for industrial workers. It appeared to be an "emergency" case.

Any emergency these days brings forth scores of freak solutions. The Patent Office is swamped with devices for winning the war. So with housing. All sorts and kinds of schemes for temporary shelter and permanent developments have been proposed. As to the dangers in temporary shack construction, I had occasion to address myself some time ago. But the danger in providing hastily thrown up shacks for workers is slight compared to the great danger of freak permanent developments.

I do not mean that we should avoid taking advantage of innovations and betterments. Leave it to the genius of this country to adopt the latest and best ideas—and enhance their value by improvements.

But, at the same time, this is not the moment for reckless experimentation. Industrial housing is fairly a new problem with us, but an old one in England. The British have solved their problem. While conditions here in America are somewhat different, the under-

lying principles are the same, so we have a firm basis on which to work. The preliminary experimentation has been performed for us. We have the results to work from.

Therefore let us avoid freaks. There has been a suggestion advanced that model tenements be erected in these new industrial villages. Fancy, with all the land that is available in these small communities, enough room for every man to have a house and a yard and a garden, where a community can spread out, we are asked to build tenements, coops for humans, buildings going up with the air, with congestion, and all its evils.

In London, where congestion has ruled, the tenement has been doomed. The London slums are being done away with, and tenements are forerunners of slums. No, we don't want any tenements in these new industrial villages, nor do we want barracks. Well-planned community houses or group houses, yes. They have individuality, which is only one of their manifold advantages.

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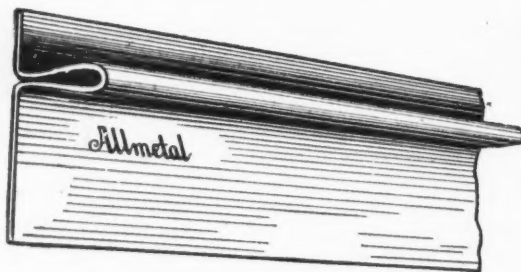
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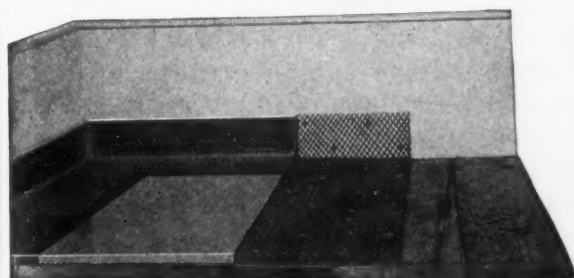
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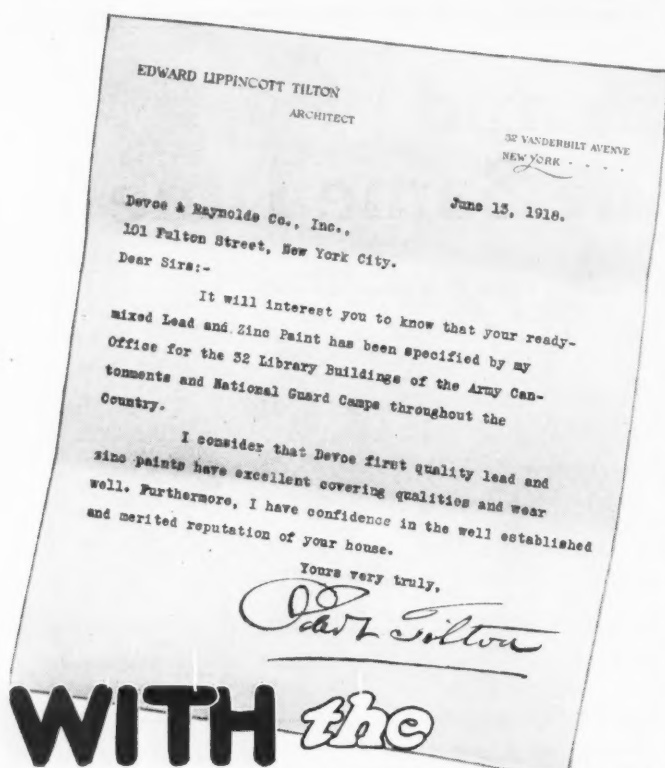
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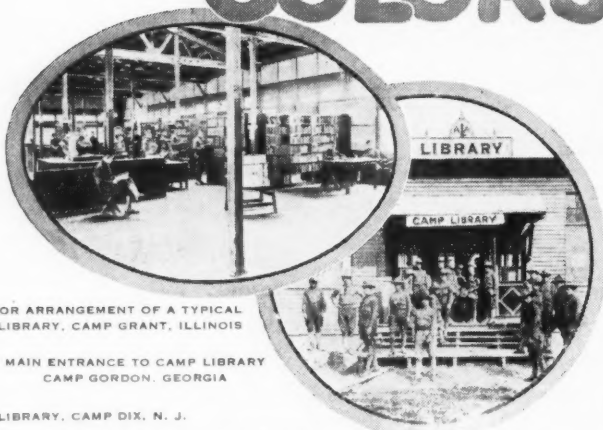
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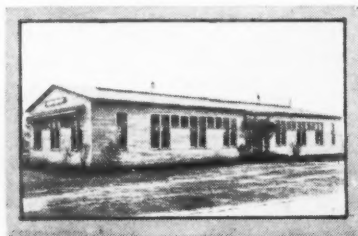
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housing policy. A set of standards has been "recommended." Recommendations in these days, coming from official sources, generally may be construed as orders. With such an outstanding figure as Mr. Otto Eidlitz, the New York builder, in charge of a large part of housing work to be done by the government, or with the aid of the government, we may rest assured that the developments carried out under his responsibility will be on a high plane of practical, efficient idealism.

All other developments of a private nature should measure up to the same high plane. Freak plans, freak methods, will never do. After all, the man to be satisfied is the worker and his family. C. Stanley Taylor reports the result of an analysis of housing conditions which he made for the government in the Middle West. During his investigations he questioned the general manager of a munitions concern regarding the benefits which had accrued through providing houses for its workmen. The general manager said:

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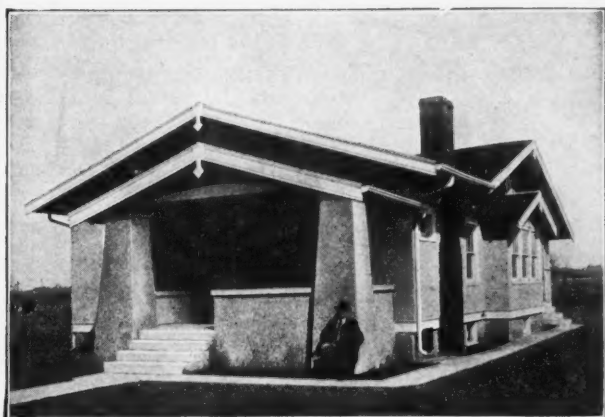
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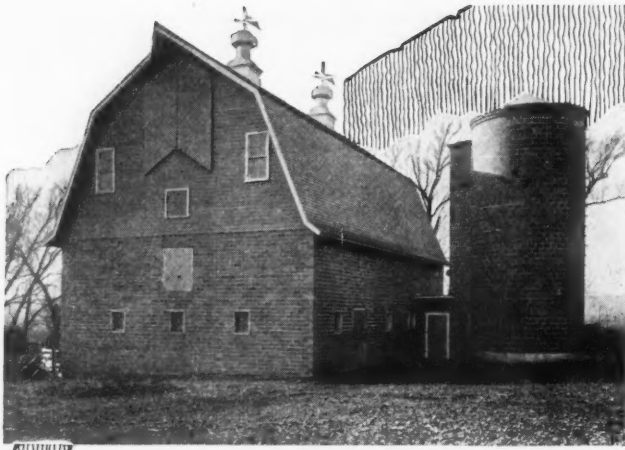


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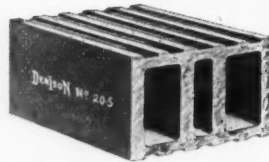
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bare the secret of success of industrial housing viewed from the standpoint of investment. Build homes—not merely houses!

And away with all freak theories!



The Community Spirit in Town Planning

WHILE the community idea in this country should not exactly be called a negative expression, its development to date hardly warrants terming it a positive enterprise. The Garden City and Town Planning Movement has reached the highest point of effectiveness in England and has proved something more than a successful experiment. The model villages of Letchworth, Port Sunlight, Bournville, which provide homes, real homes, for working peoples, are artistic creations of men possessed of splendid imagination and sympathetic understanding. Add to these, Hempstead Garden Suburbs, Fallings Park Garden Suburbs, the Garden Village near Cardiff, with their picturesque winding roads and vine-covered dwellings, and one may look in vain for their counterparts in America. They are nothing less than fairy-garden spots.

The difference between the Garden City and the Garden Suburb is that the first is a separate entity, a self-sustaining unit; the latter lies on the outskirts of large cities and becomes a part thereof.

There is no distinct and overwhelming element of philanthropy as a basis for the creation of these Model Towns. They are paying investments from the practical point of view. The plan has been for a number of manufacturers to co-operate in the founding and building of a Garden City, and these promoters have realized a fair profit from rentals. The enterprises have been divorced from the idea of charity as they have from the taint of paternalism, the rock on which certain developments in this country have come to grief.

The time has never been more opportune for American manufacturers to give serious thought to the furthering of the Garden City movement. The congestion in our large cities, contrary to all natural laws, has about reached its limit. We can no longer excuse ourselves for past errors in town planning on the theory that this is a young country. New towns are being laid out today with the same pitiful lack of constructive imagination as heretofore; paralleled streets giving the aspect of a great ugly checkerboard; no civic centers, no playgrounds, insufficient parks.

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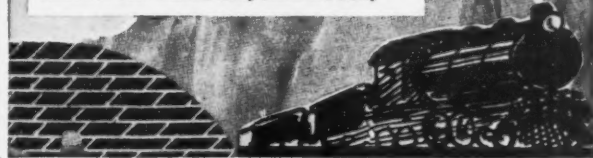
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Repairing Farm Buildings

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a less cost than pine siding and also a better and tighter wall than single siding will be after a few years.

With the barns there are two ways to increase the storage room without covering more ground with roof. One is to put on a gambrel or Gothic roof, the other is to raise the barn up some distance from the ground, say, two feet or more, and put a wall under.

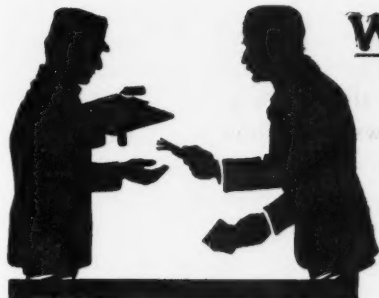
When one wishes to make a barn wider, instead of adding a lean-to, as it is called, a better way is to put the plate of this addition up even with the other plates and then splice out the rafters on one side and put new ones on the other side, or put on a new roof. A gambrel roof would be best.

On some farms it is the house which needs the repairing. Generally the cellar is not what it should be, and the house should be jacked up several inches and a good wall put in and a good drain made. Then put in large windows to let in the sun and air. An old house which has not sheathing boards under the clapboards should have them put on, and the outside casings made new or covered over. If clapboarded with paper under, it will be quite comfortable in winter. Once fixed it should be kept well painted and it will last for years.



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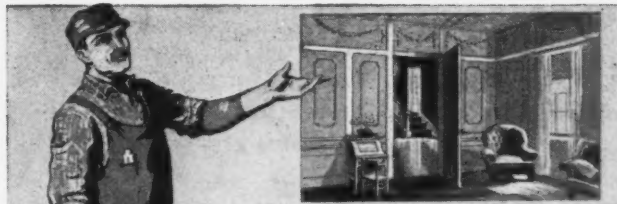
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The Development of the Perspective

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V. G. The height of the ridge may be worked from the measure line of the house as illustrated in Fig. 4.

The corners of the cornice and points on the roof may be determined in the same manner as the corners of the house in Fig. 3.

Next on the measure line of the house lay off the height of all doors and windows. Connect these heights by light lines with vanishing points.

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A simple and easy method of rendering the perspective is shown in Fig. 5. First ink in all the lines of the perspective with a ruling pen. Then determine the main shadows, namely, those cast by cornice and porches.

It is best to find the depth and location of the shadows in elevation, and then transfer them by means of the measure lines to the perspective.

Shadows in perspective are as a rule determined more by judgment than by actual construction ac-

cording to theory. Close observation of actual shadows on a building on a bright day will aid greatly in indicating shadows in perspective.

The shadows are shown by light vertical free-hand lines put in with the ordinary pen. The shadows on the window glass below the line of the shades should be kept very dark.

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Fear Loss of Loose Plans

To the Editor:

Sturgeon, Pa.

I am very well satisfied with the BUILDER and always look for it to come. I think the plans are fine, prefer them bound in, as my July issue was minus the barn plans which were supposed to be in, and I think this would happen pretty often were the plans loose leaf. I would prefer more of the small cottage house plans, as they would suit the small town fellows the best.

JOS. GARDINER, JR.



Reconstructing the Crippled Soldiers

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job will have had for him no permanent benefit.

Twelve men sent to twelve jobs may all be seriously misplaced, while the same twelve placed with thought and wisdom and differently assigned to the same twelve jobs may be ideally located. If normal workers require expert and careful placement, crippled candidates for employment require it even more.

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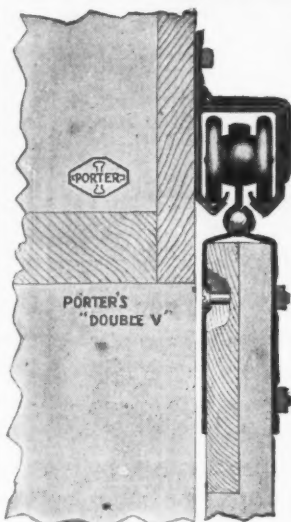
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Reconstructing the Crippled Soldiers

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The positive aspect of the employer's duty is to find for the disabled man a constructive job which he can hold on the basis of competency alone. In such a job he can be self-respecting, be happy, and look forward to a future. This is the definite patriotic duty. It is not so easy of execution as telling a superintendent to take care of four men, but there is infinitely more satisfaction to the employer in the results, and infinitely greater advantage to the employes. And it is entirely practical, even in dealing with seriously disabled men.

A cripple is only debarred by his disability from performing certain operations. In the operations which he can perform, the disabled man will be just as efficient as his non-handicapped colleague, or more so. In the multiplicity of modern industrial processes it is entirely possible to find jobs not requiring the operations from which any given type of cripples are debarred. For such jobs as they can fill the cripple should be given preference.

Thousands of cripples are now holding important jobs in the industrial world. But they are men of exceptional character and initiative and have, in general, made their way in spite of employers rather than because of them. Too many employers are ready to give the cripple alms, but not willing to expend the thought necessary to place him in a suitable job. This attitude has helped to make many cripples dependent. With our new responsibilities to the men disabled in fighting for us, the point of view must certainly be changed. What some cripples have done, other cripples can do—if only given an even chance.

The industrial cripple should be considered as well as the military cripple, for in these days of national demand for the greatest possible output there should not be left idle any men who can be made into productive workers.

With thoughtful placement effort, many men can be employed directly on the basis of their past experience. With the disabled soldiers who profit by the training facilities the government will provide, the task should be even easier.

This, then, constitutes the charge of patriotic duty upon the employer:

To study the jobs under his jurisdiction to determine what ones might be satisfactorily held by cripples. To give the cripples preference for these jobs. To consider thoughtfully the applications of disabled men for employment, bearing in mind the importance of utilizing to as great an extent as possible labor which would otherwise be unproductive. To do the returned soldier the honor of offering him real employment, rather than proffering him the ignominy of a charity job.

If the employer will do this, it will be a great factor in making the complete elimination of the dependent cripple a real and inspiring possibility.



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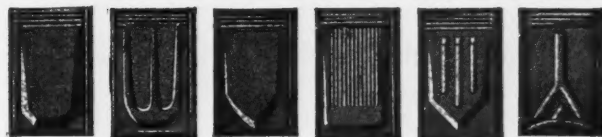
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against which no objections can be offered. This is accomplished by the use of the "septic tank." Many persons think that when one says "septic tank" it means a massive structure of concrete more suitable for a municipality than for a private residence. This is not so, as can be seen from the tank shown in Fig. 3, which indicates how an ingenious builder can construct a little septic tank suitable for residence work at small

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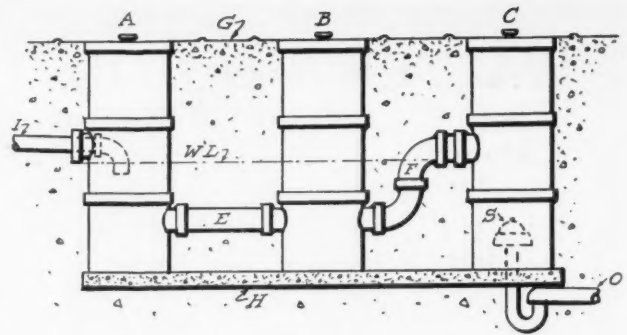
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cost, employing nothing more complicated than common tile pipe.

In the tank shown the sewage enters thru the inlet I, passing into tank A (which is a settling basin), midway between the water line WL and the bottom and the lighter or buoyant portion floating on the top. This leaves the clearest portion of the liquid about midway between the water line WL and the bottom slab H. At this level the connecting pipe E is installed, which allows the clear liquid to flow into the septic chamber B, where the septic action largely takes place.

When the tank is first put in use putrefaction starts in due course in chamber B, the bacteria gradually breed and multiply and a sort of mat forms on top of the water, which serves to facilitate the increase and growth of these bacteria. They attack, break up and dissolve almost everything which is not metal or mineral matter; for instance, they destroy bone, flesh, etc., but will not attack stones, brass or metals. All substances not proof against their action are speedily dissolved and since the normal sewage contains little, if any, mineral or metal (except what may get in by accident), this means that practically everything is reduced to a state of solution.

As more sewage flows in thru the inlet I the water line raises in F and overflows into chamber C



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so that this chamber gradually fills until the syphon S is brought into action; this syphon discharges the chamber with a rush thru the outlet O. The connection F is taken from chamber B at approximately the same level as E in order not to break up the mat which forms at the top of the septic chamber and also not to disturb the sediment which may settle to the bottom. In other words, clear water in both chambers lies midway between the water line in the bottom and this is what we wish to draw off, allowing the bacteria to continue their work on the other materials which do not respond to their attacks as readily as the substances which are more easily dissolved. The desirable reasons for employing the syphon and what is done with the sewage after it leaves the outlet will be taken up in the next article.



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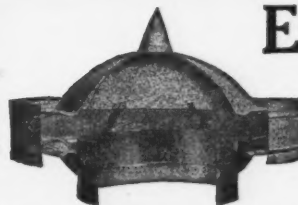
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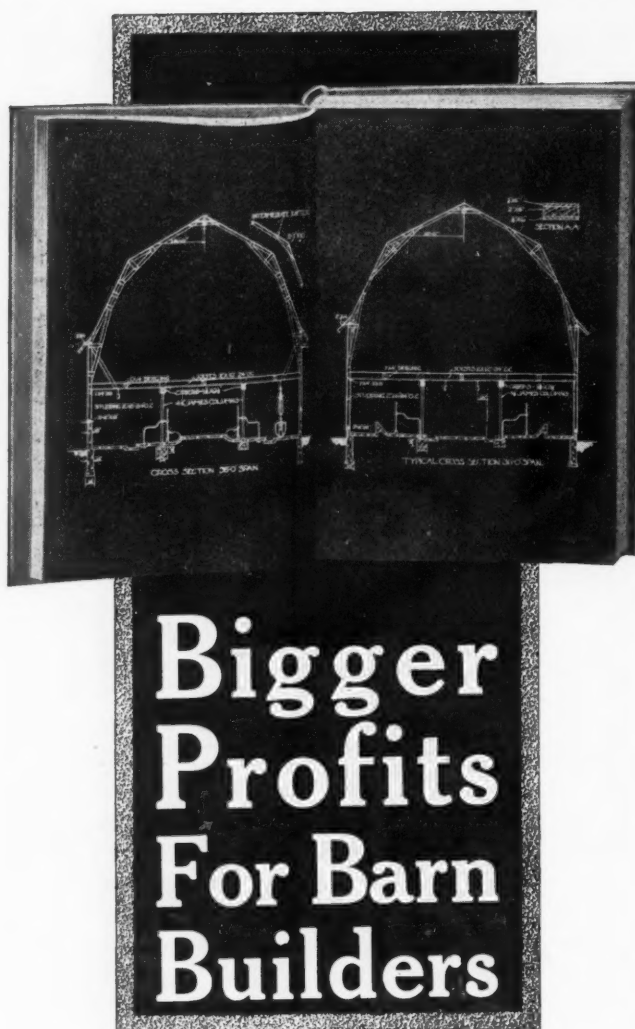
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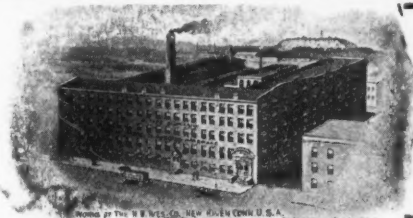
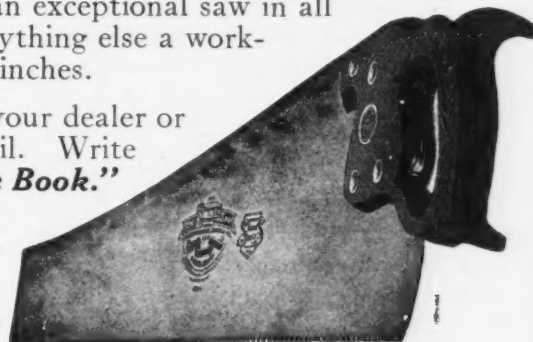
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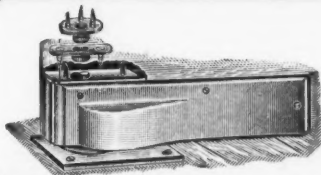
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representatives, each working independently. Then the wishes of the workmen were considered thru a conference with a representative committee from their body, where such matters were discussed as what they feel they could afford to pay in rentals, what kinds of houses they would prefer if they could pick and choose, whether they wanted garden plots, and how big they would like them to be, etc. So soon as the locations have been determined upon it is the practice of the bureau to entrust the purchase negotiations to some well-recognized local real estate expert, and in this case Gerald G. E. Street of Boston was selected for this most delicate and important task. The selection of a designing and constructing staff was the next step, and on this the bureau named Ernest W. Branch of Quincy as engineer, James E. McLaughlin of Boston as architect, and Herbert J. Kellaway of Boston as town planner.

And now that the work of acquiring the sites has been completed, and the layout of the ground and the house plans have been finished, the contractors have their innings, and before long Quincy will be in possession of three new real estate developments that will be as attractive in their way as anything in any part of the Greater Boston section.

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Four Separate Villages

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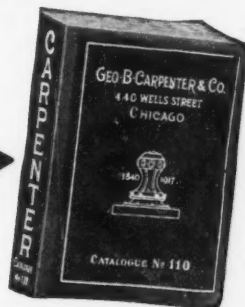
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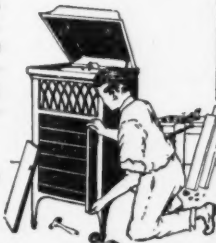
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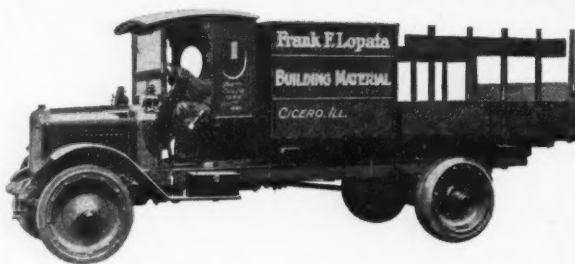
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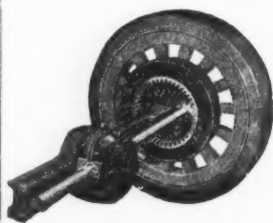
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No Tenement House Monotony

Altho the Arnold Street property is very close to the shipyard, its roar and tumult are scarcely audible there, thanks to the happy interposition of a little rocky and oak-clad hillock that is a part of the tract. At present the environs of that little eminence are made something less than attractive by the presence of sundry hog pens, and other things evil to sight and smell, but it is destined in the near future to be transformed into a recreation ground, a very little brush cutting being all that is needed to reveal the charm of its miniature cliffs and its pretty swales, and to open the broad view of the harbor from its summit.

After looking at Mr. Kellaway's plottings of the subdivisions and house locations, and at Mr. McLaughlin's detailed house plans, it does not tax the imagination to conceive how attractive and home-like these neighborhoods will shortly be. Type for type, the houses are as alike as the proverbial peas in a pod, at least in so far as floor area, light, ventilation, quality of finish and all other essential appointments are concerned. Outwardly, tho, there will be great variety of appearance. There is to be no run off by the mile similarity, nothing that would suggest a row of corporation houses. Thanks to the architect's ingenuity in fitting the specifications to the square forms and to rectangular ones, and to the varied types of roofs and porches and other external features, such as clapboards here and shingles there, the stereotyped house called for by the bureau takes on individuality in every structure. Again monotony of line has been obviated thru the clever manner in which the town planner has located the sites along the several streets, and by judiciously arranging the square and oblong houses so as to give variety.

Simplicity of line and ornament has been the keynote of the house designs. In the main the houses will be frame structures, modeled appropriately after

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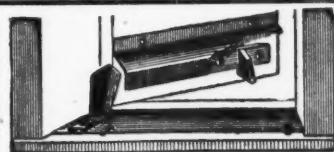
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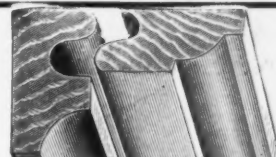


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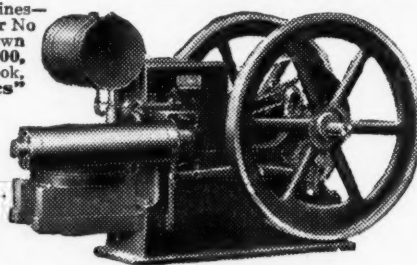


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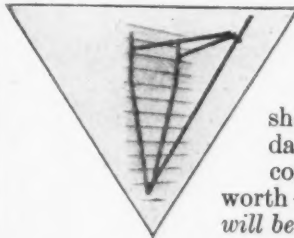
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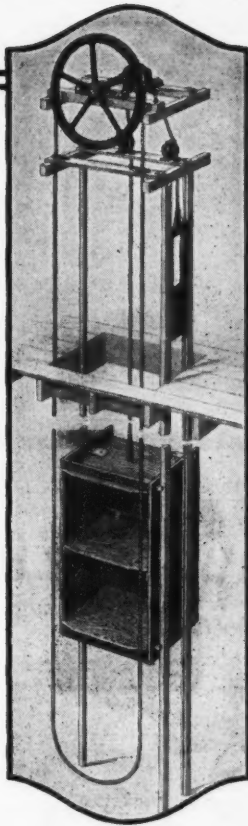
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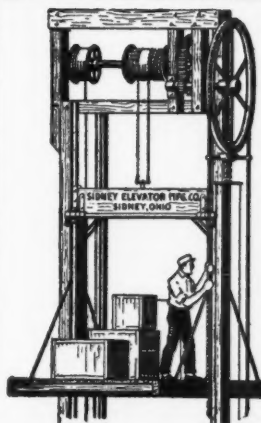
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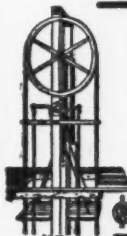
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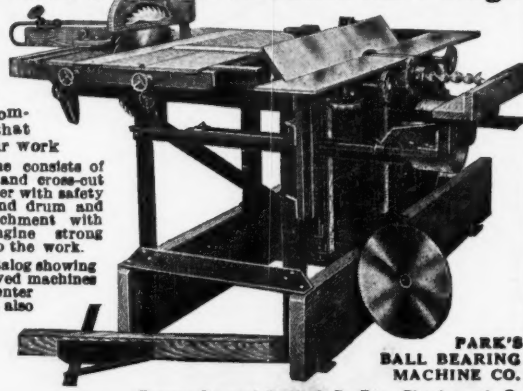


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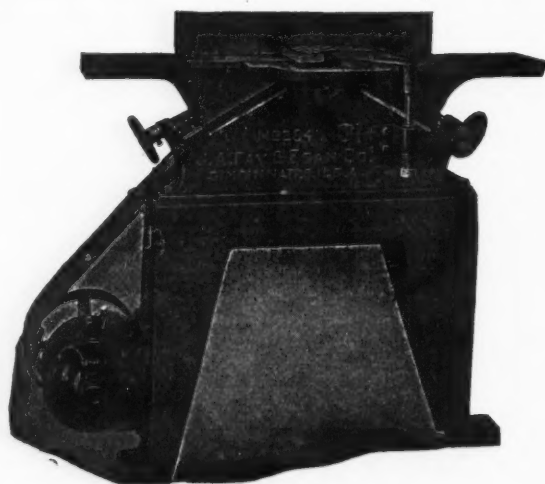
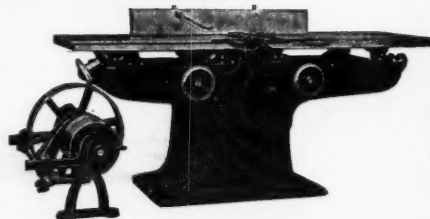
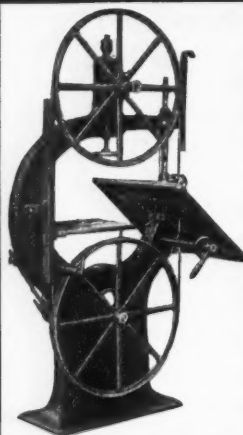
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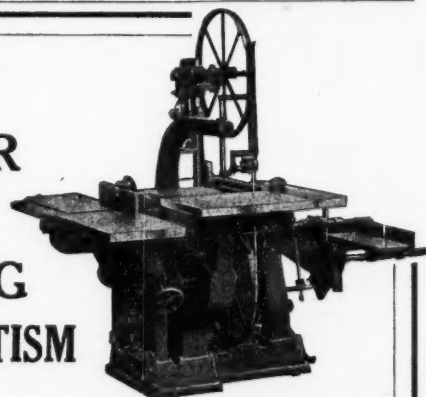
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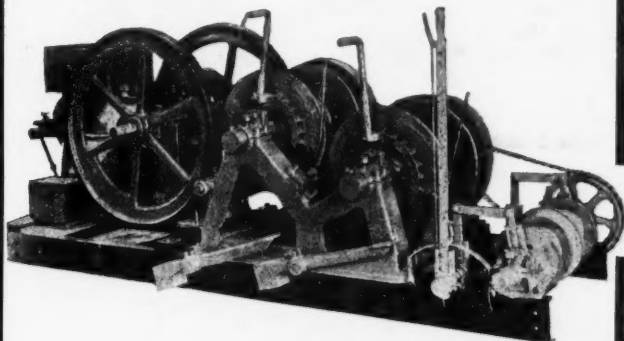
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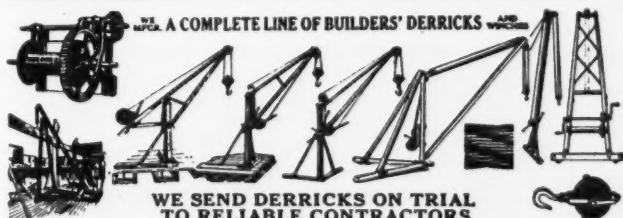
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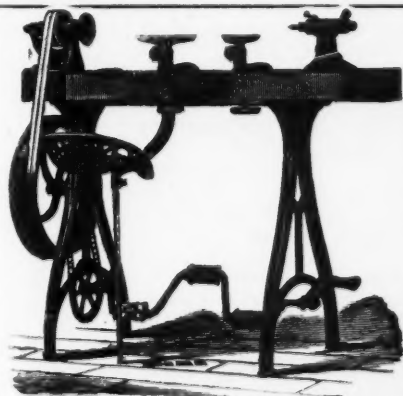


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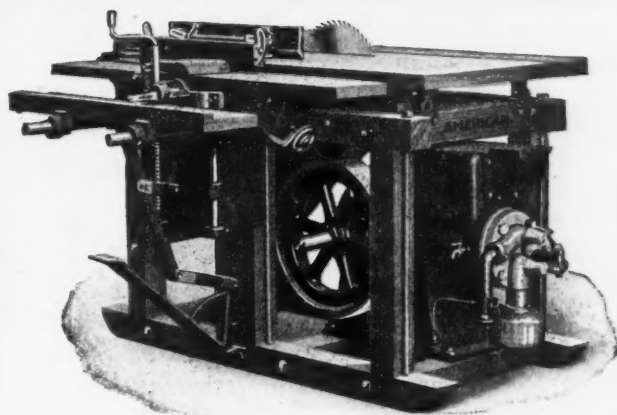
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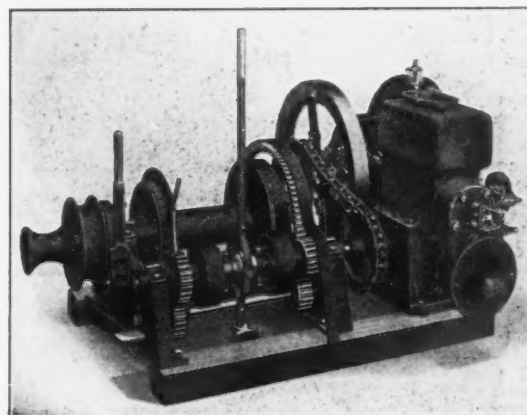
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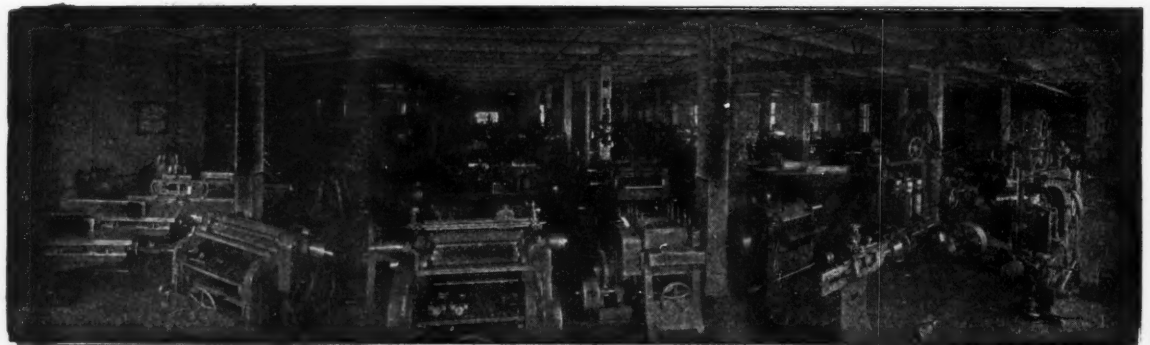
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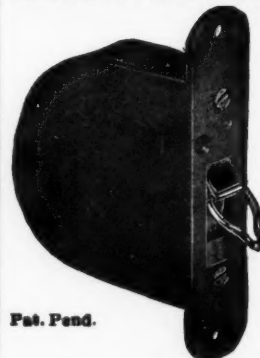
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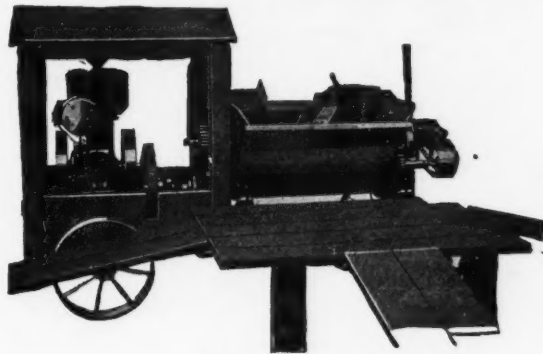
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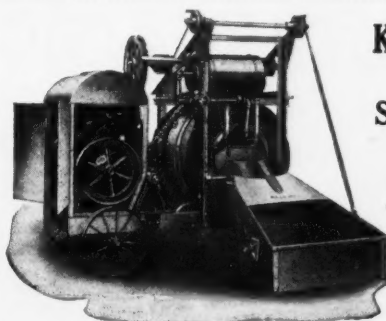
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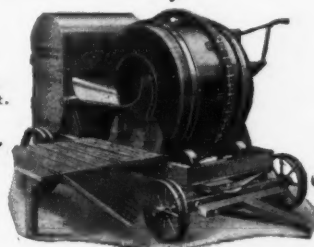
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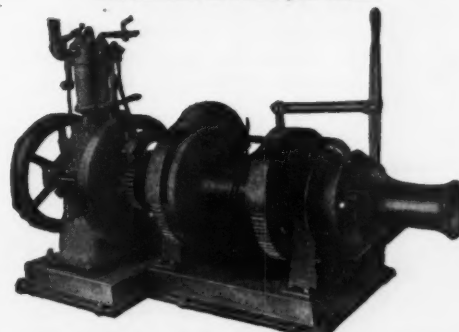
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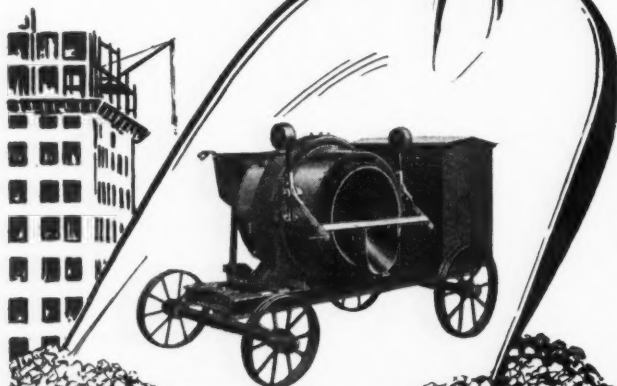
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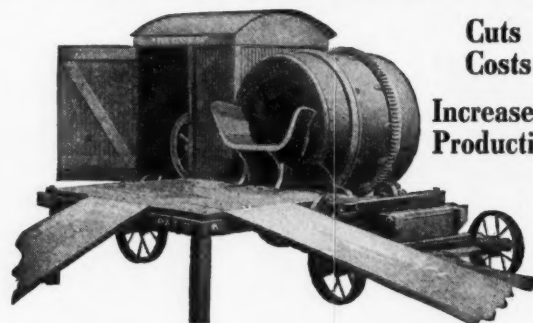
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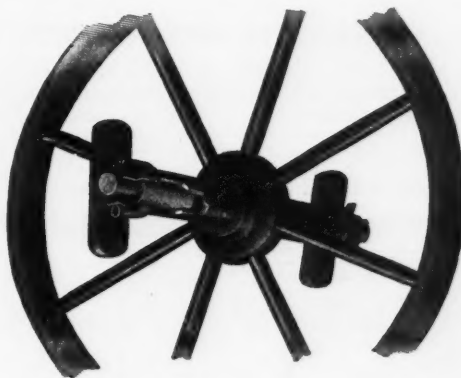
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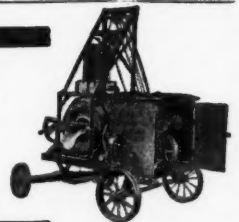
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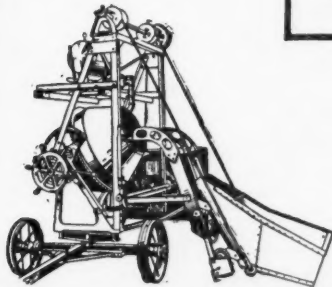
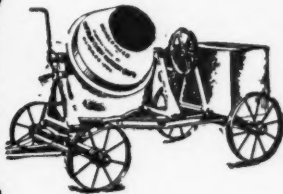
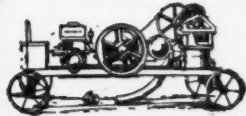
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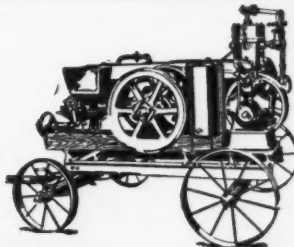
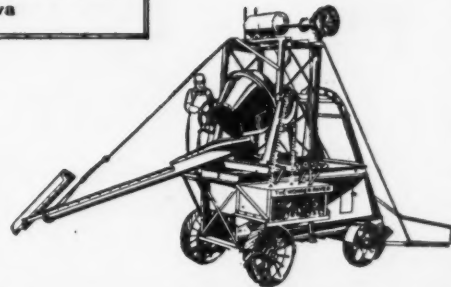
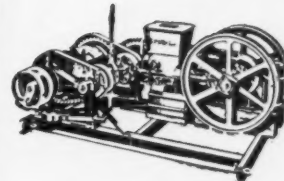
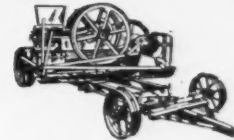


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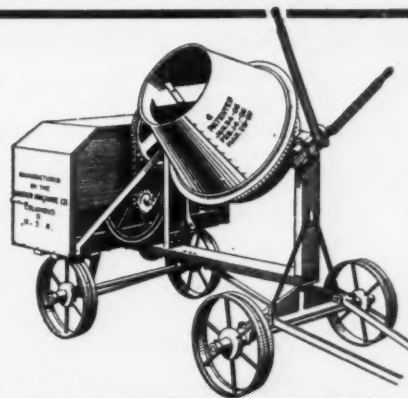


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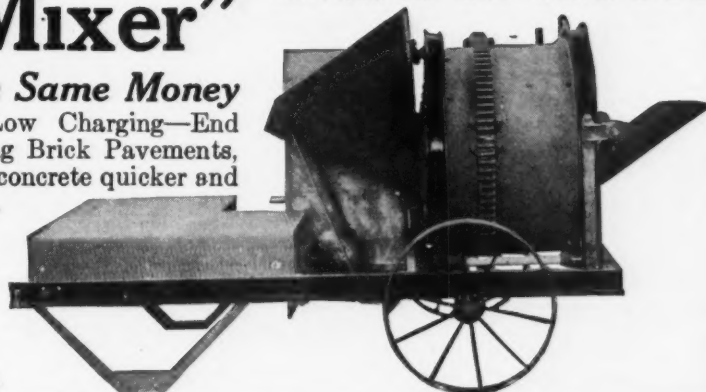
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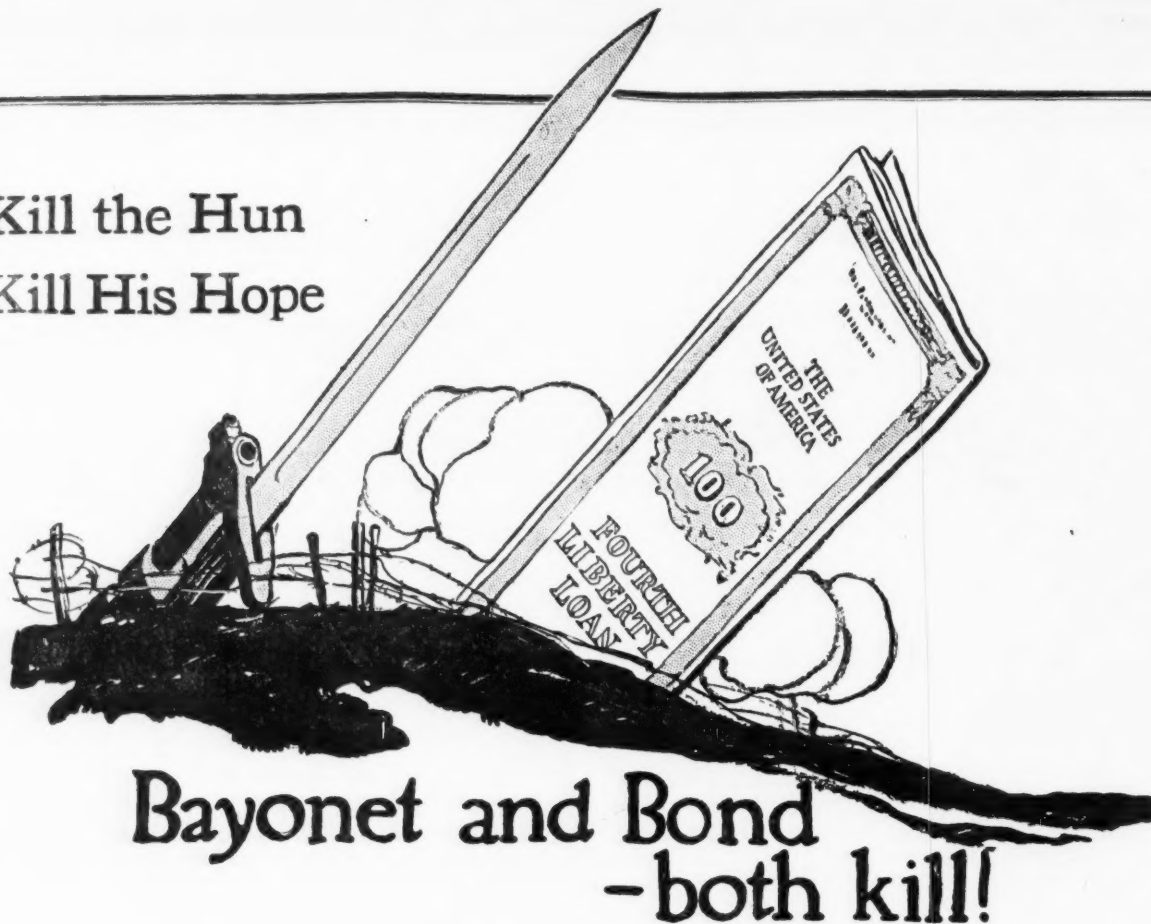
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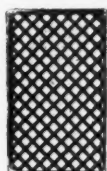
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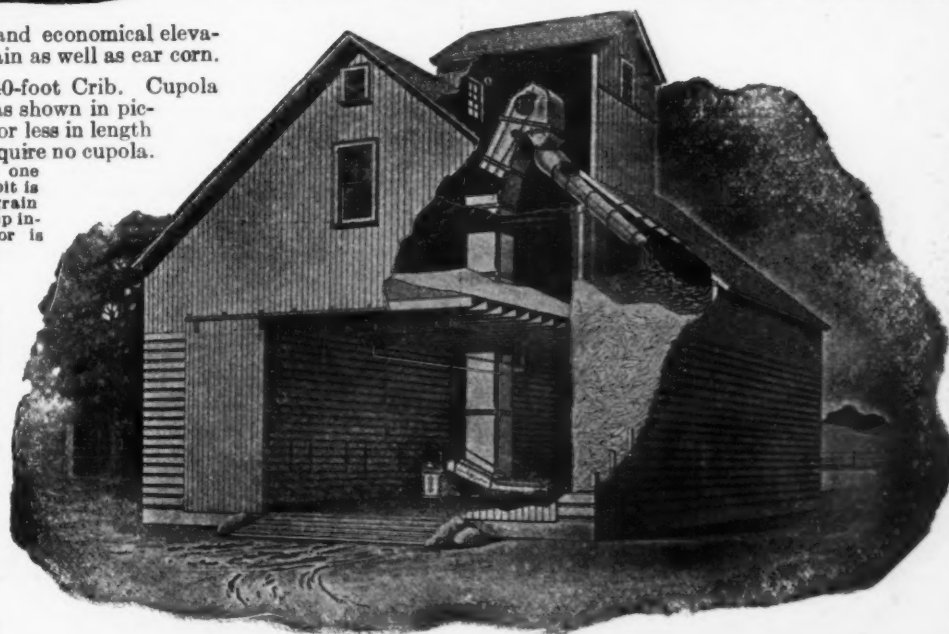
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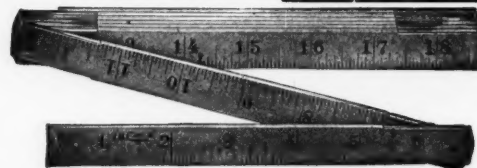
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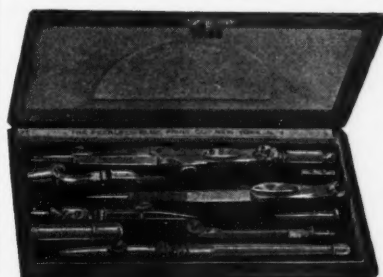
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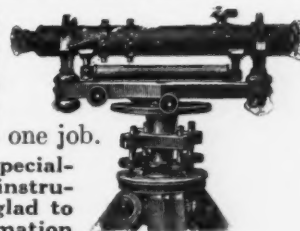
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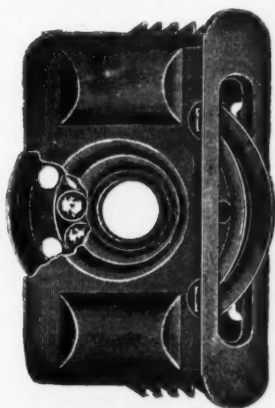
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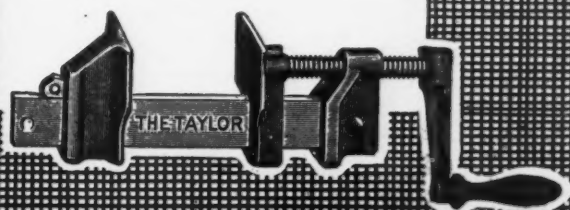
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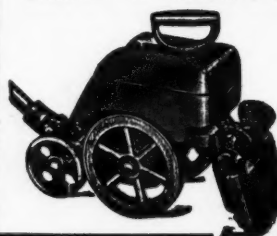
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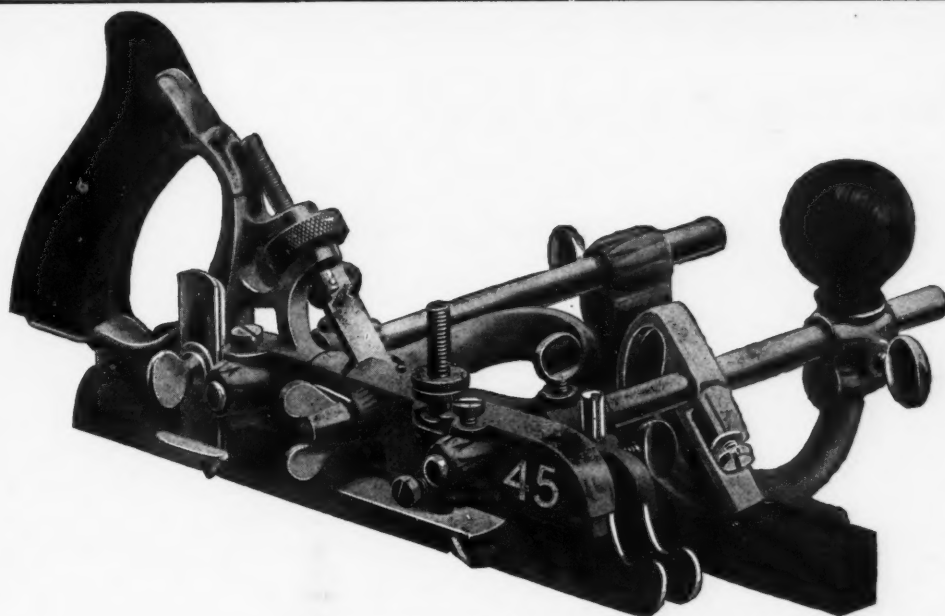
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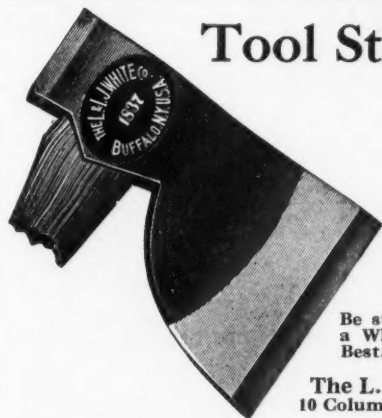
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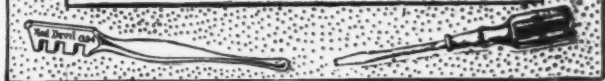



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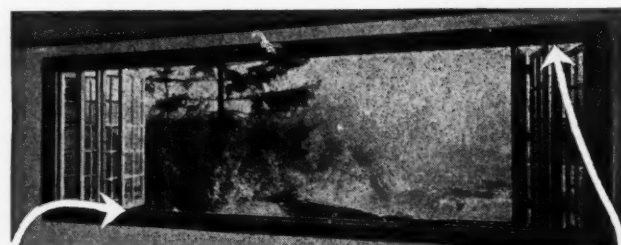
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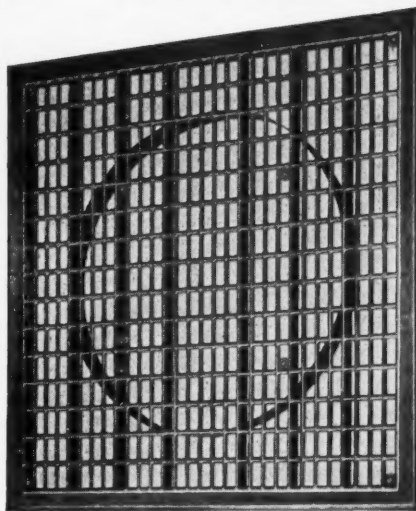
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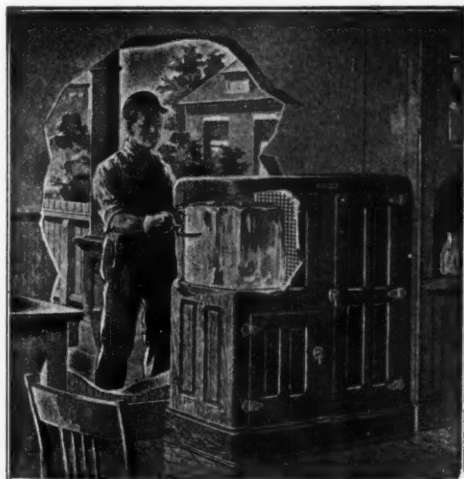
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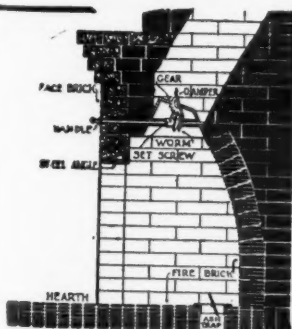
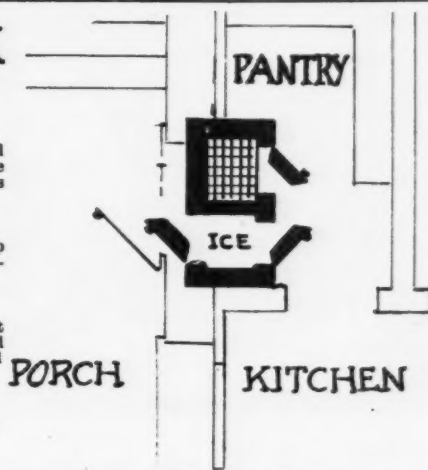
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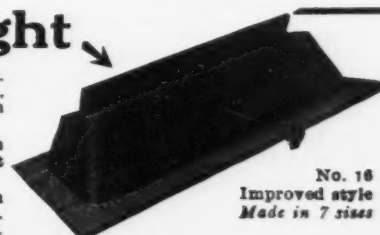
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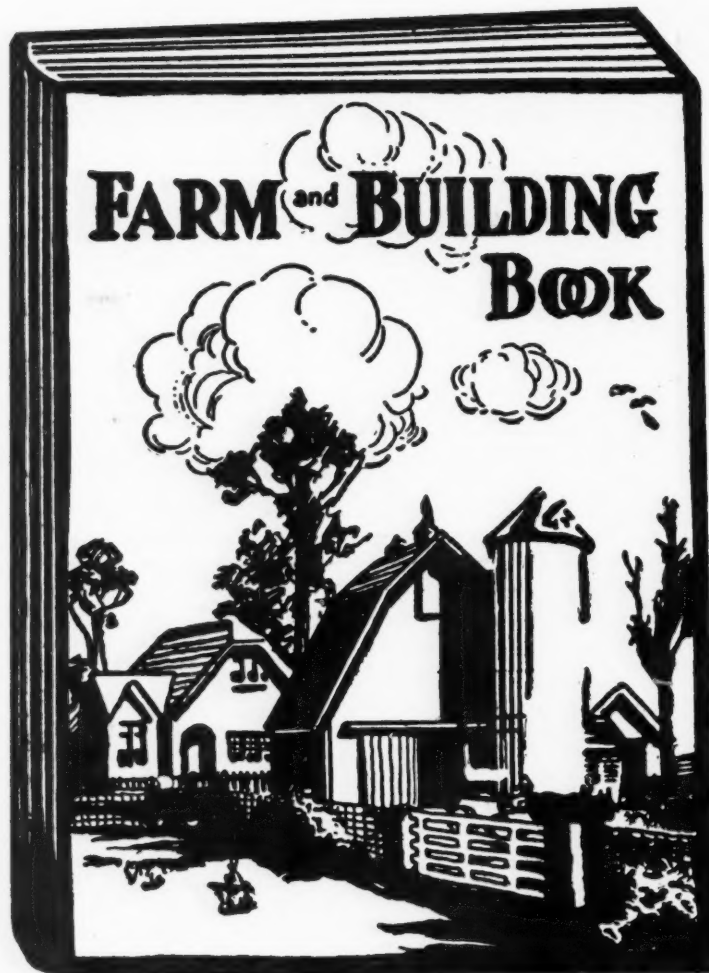
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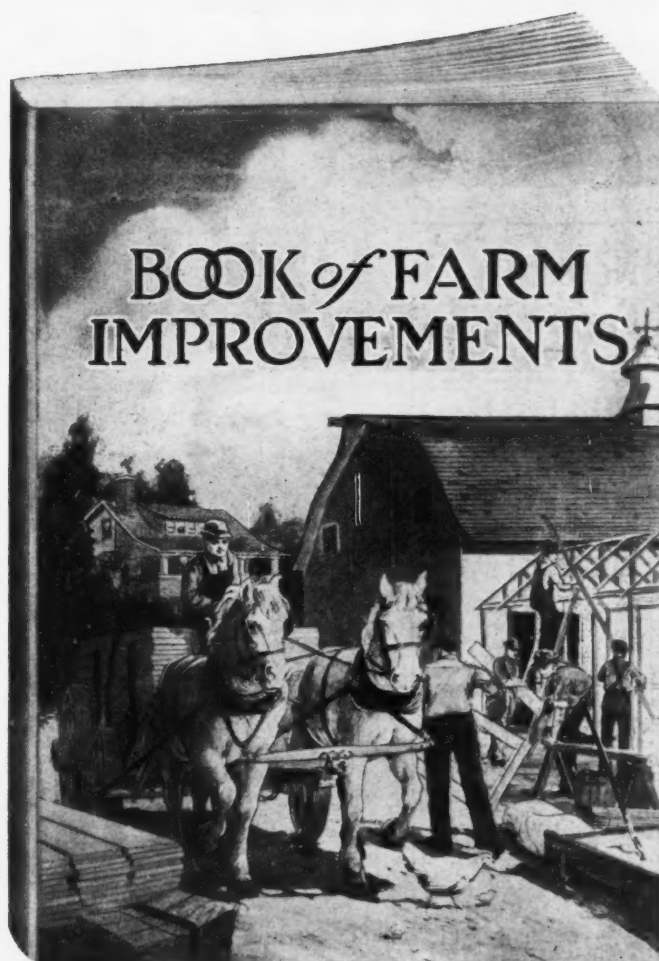
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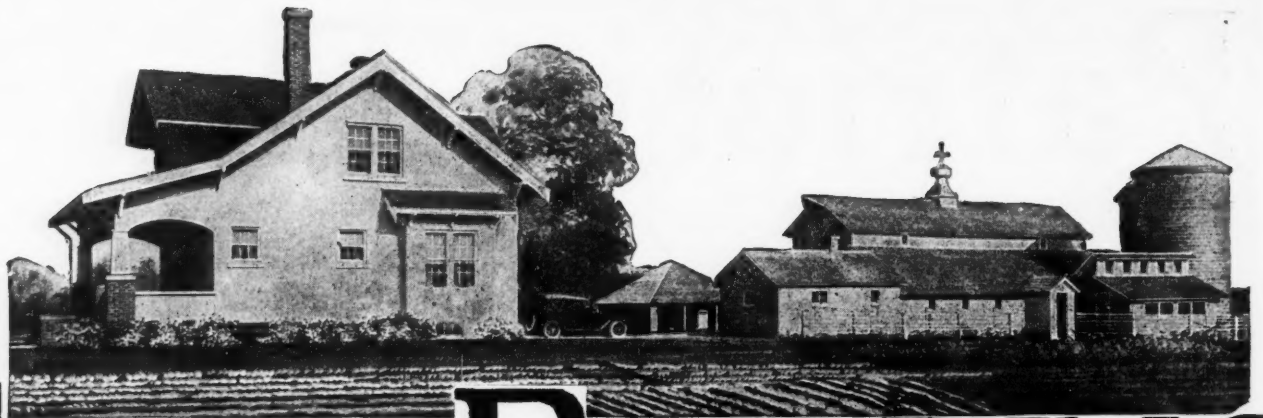
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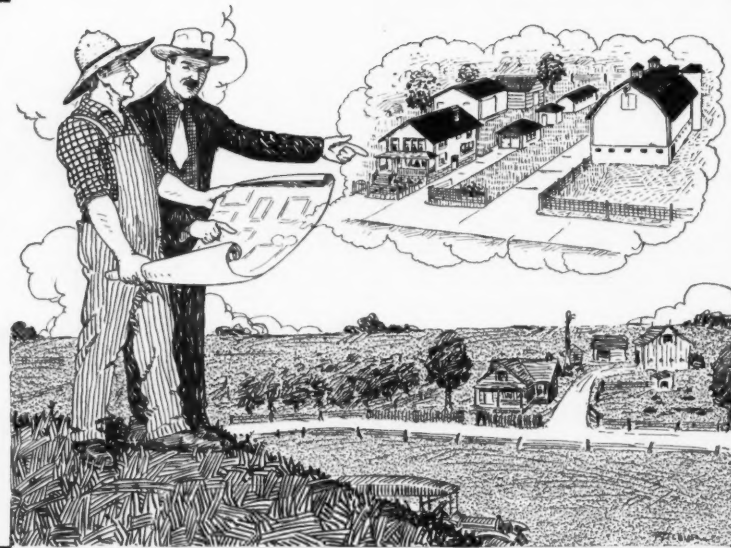
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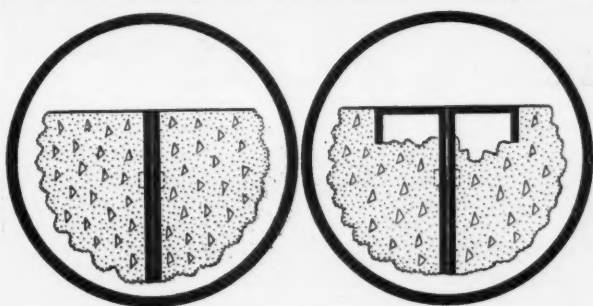
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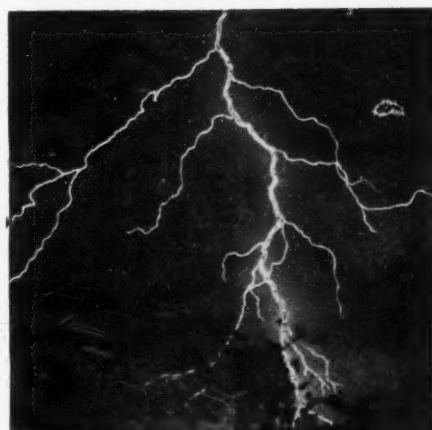
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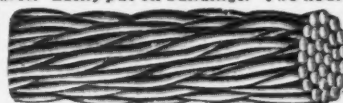
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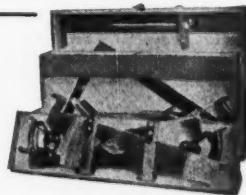


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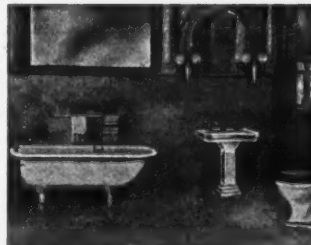
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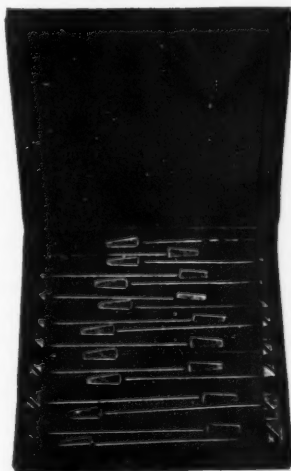


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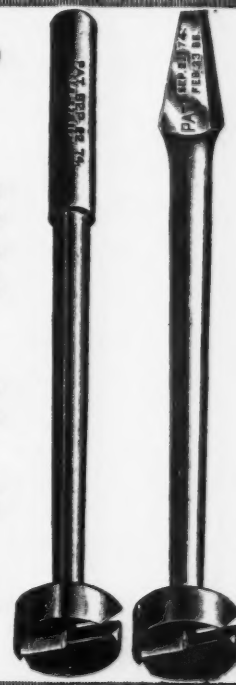
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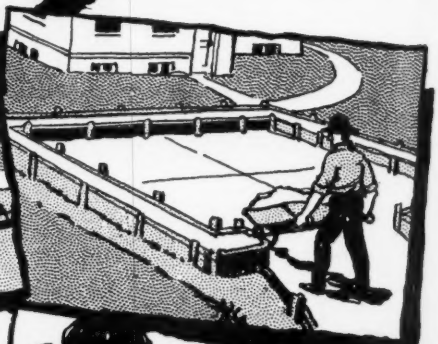
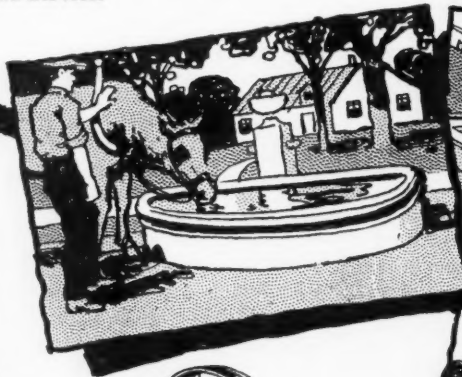
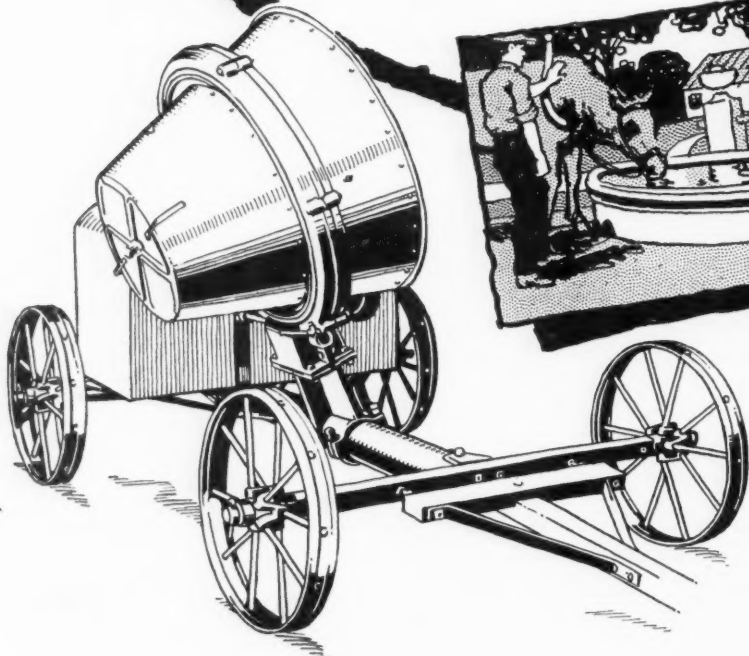
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\$1,083,766,198, it is realized how greatly Uncle Sam needed man power.

"To the end of August last 93 operations, including the camps and cantonments, had been completed; the cost of the finished operations was \$277,745,847. There are now under construction 266 jobs which will represent a cost approximating \$636,858,351; the projects now under way include a large number of ammunition depots, quartermaster warehouses and storage depots in inland cities; hospitals, ordnance plants, new training camps and the enlarging of other camps. The major portion of this work is expected to be completed by January 1.

"This gives some conception of the government's demand for building material and labor, and justifies to a greater extent apparent rigid rulings.

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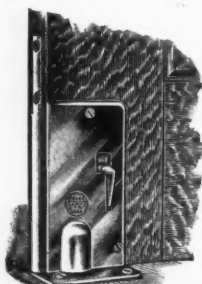
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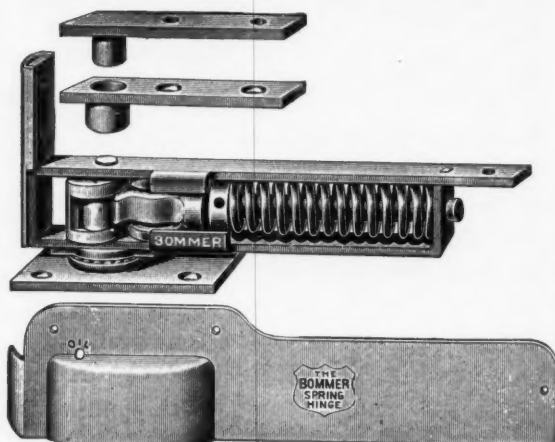
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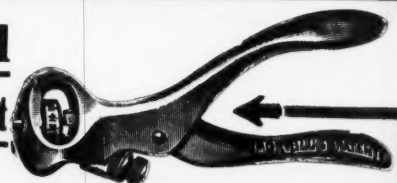
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